



Isotropic superconducting gaps with enhanced pairing on electron Fermi surfaces in $\text{FeTe}_{0.55}\text{Se}_{0.45}$

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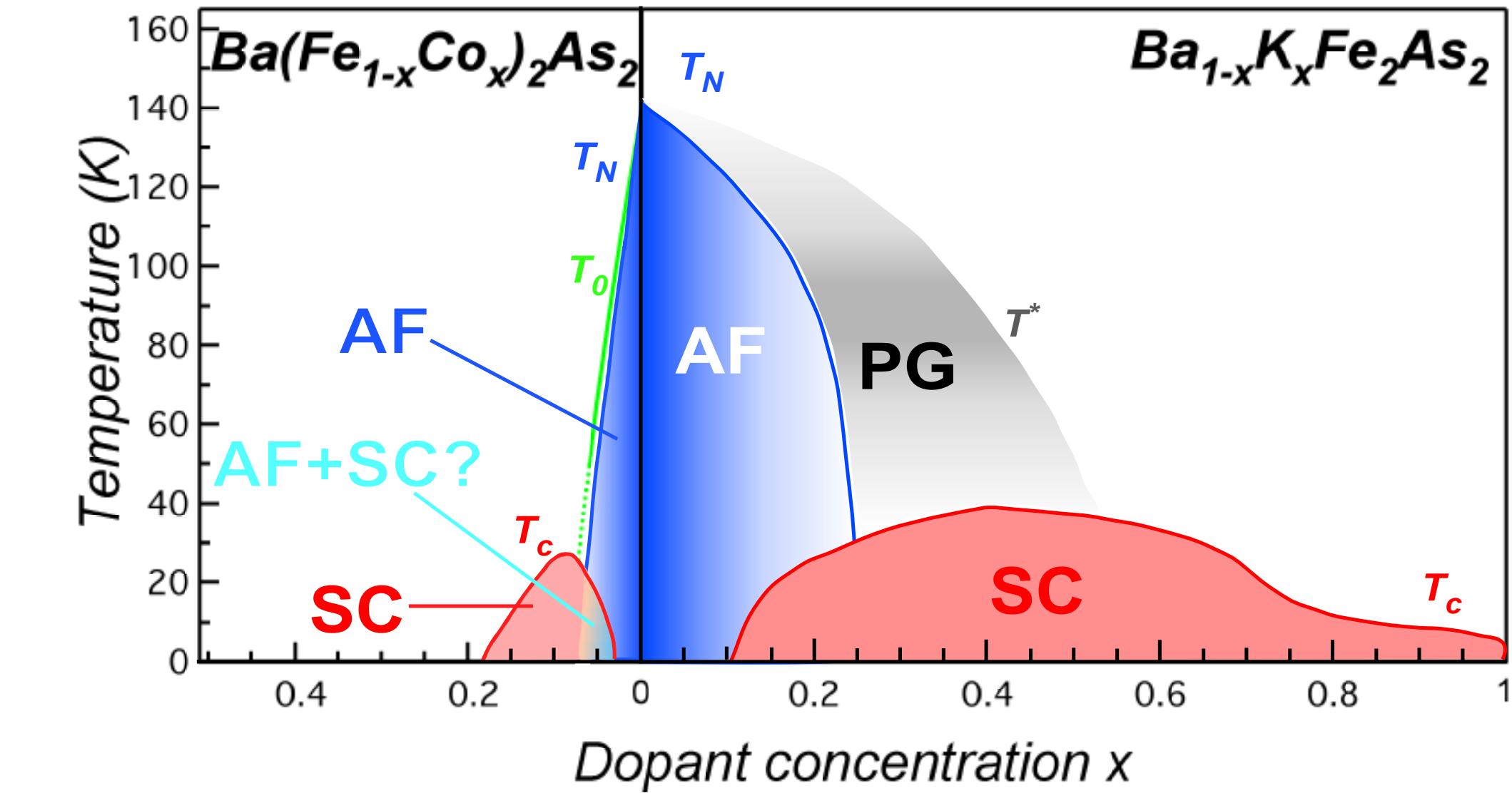
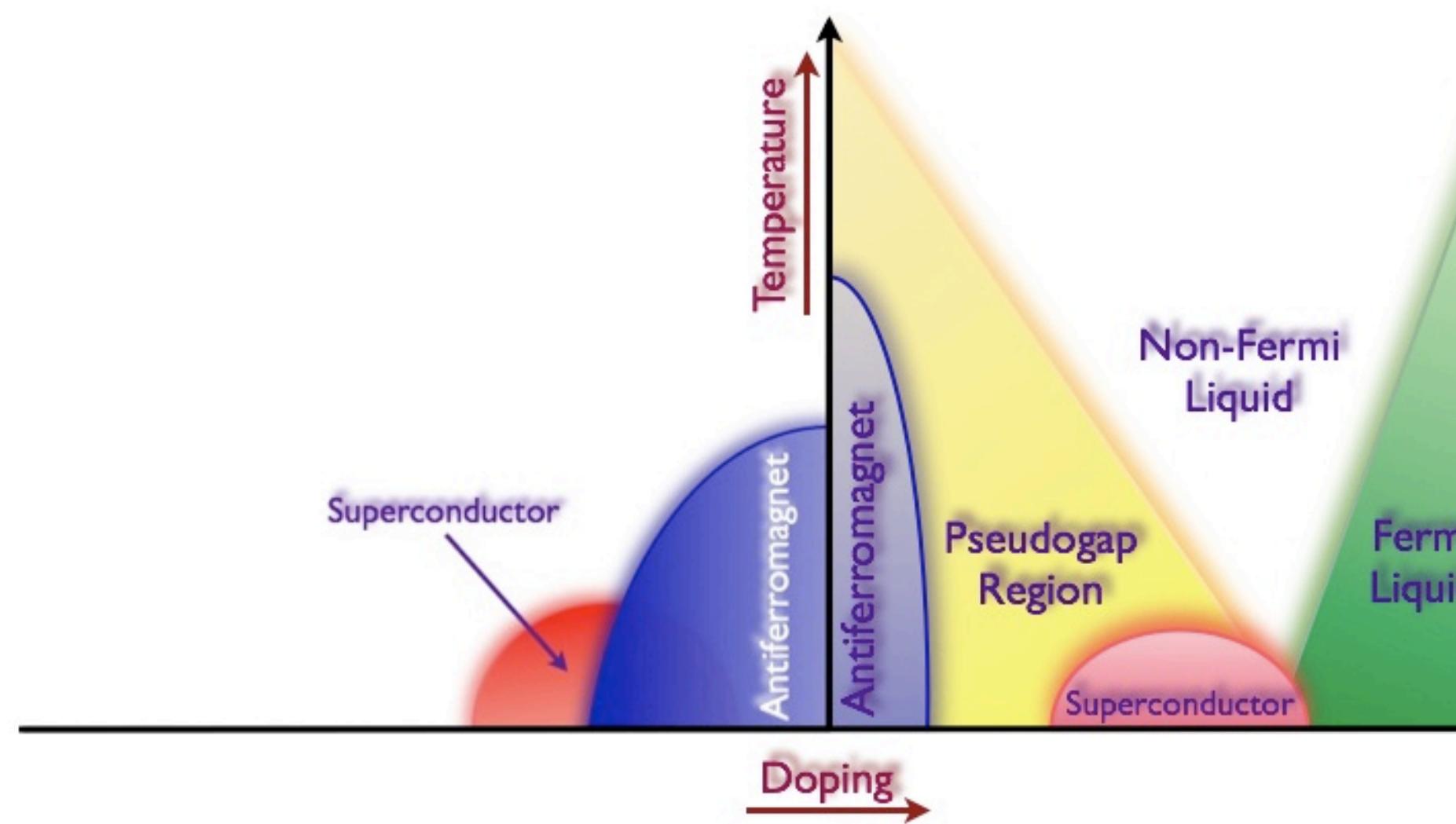
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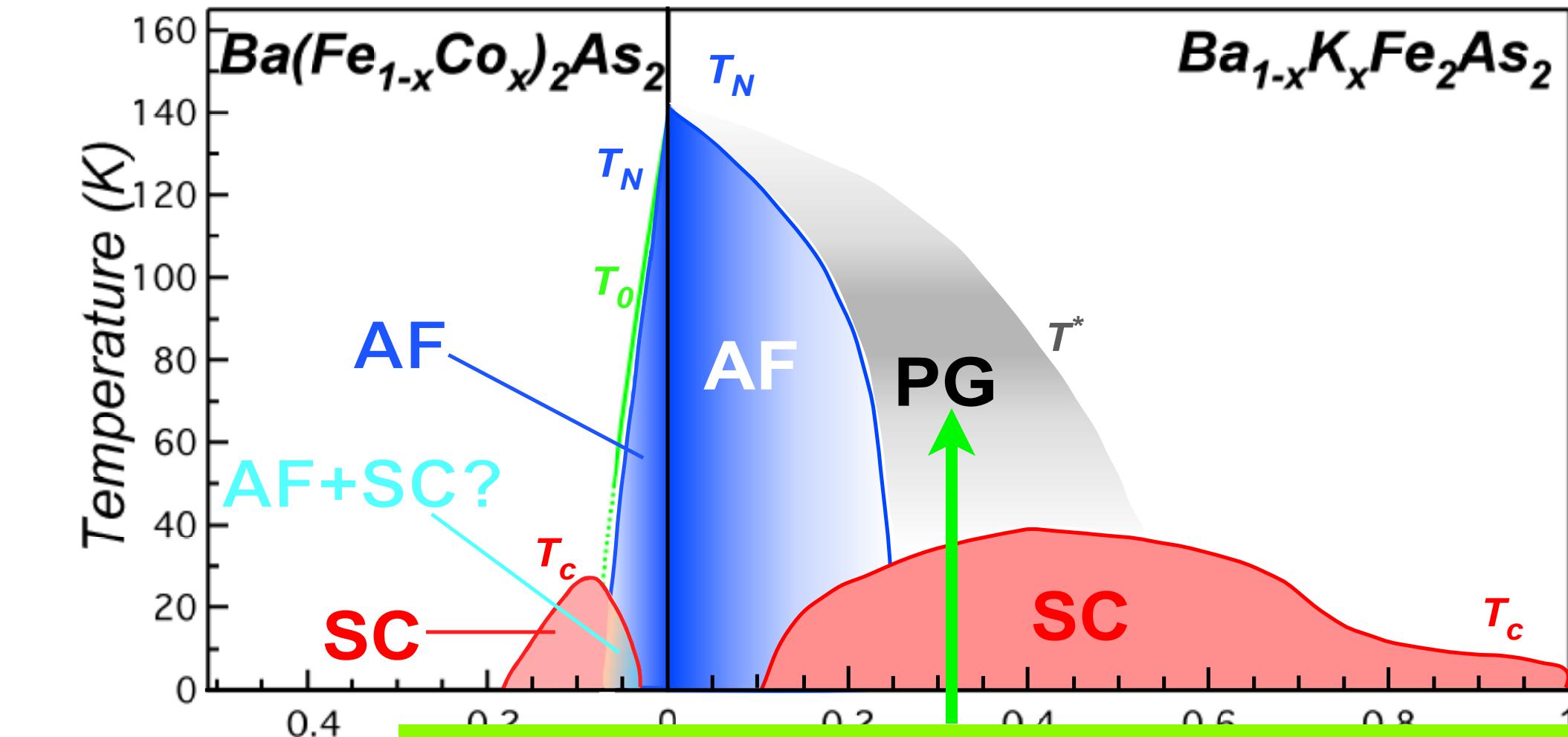
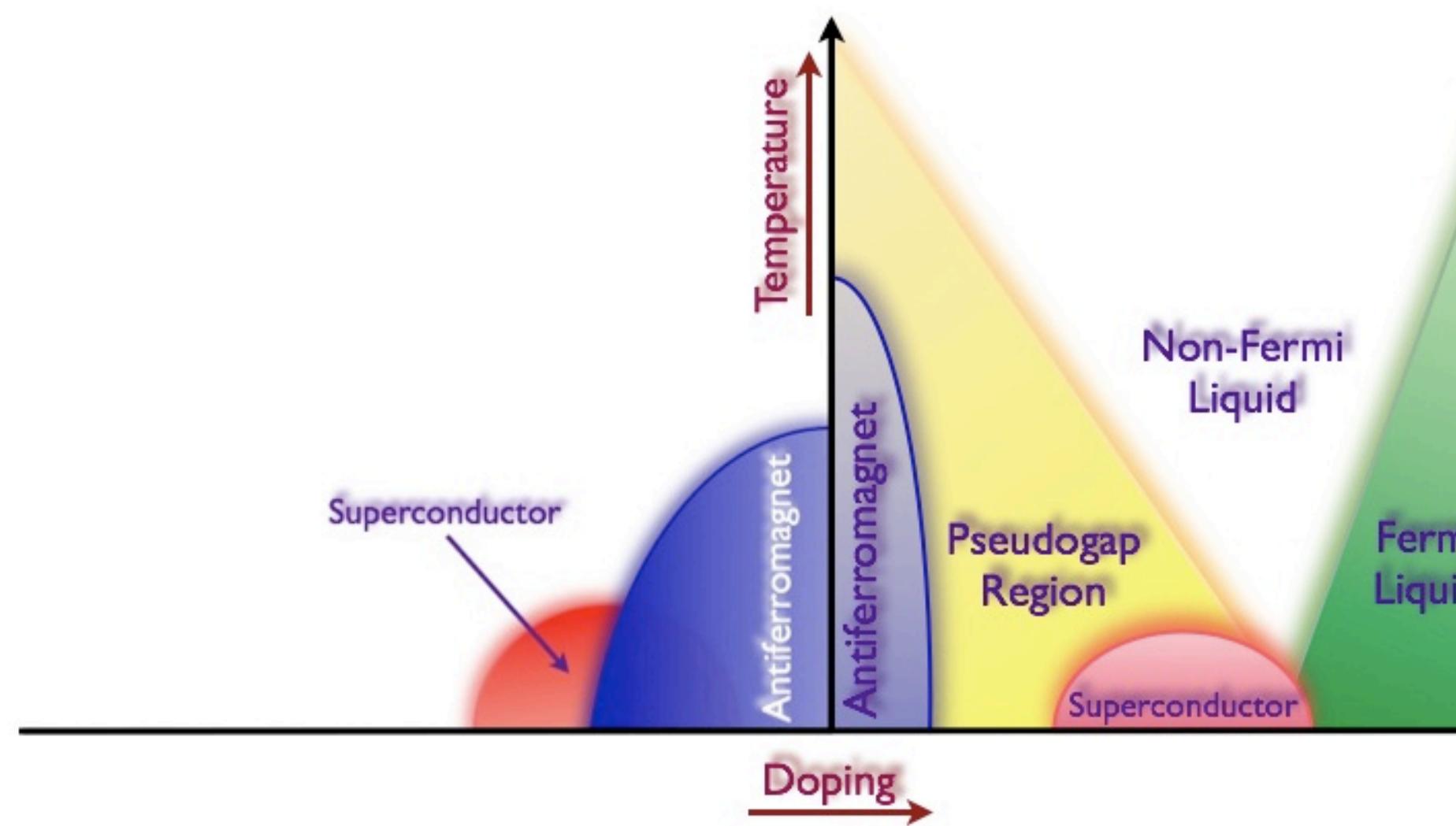


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isotope effect	small on OPD	controversial
spin structure in pair	singlet	singlet
parent compound	AF Mott insulator	AF SDW semimetal
T_N of parent compound	~300 K	~140 K
electron correlation	strong	intermediate
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Fermi surface	one	five
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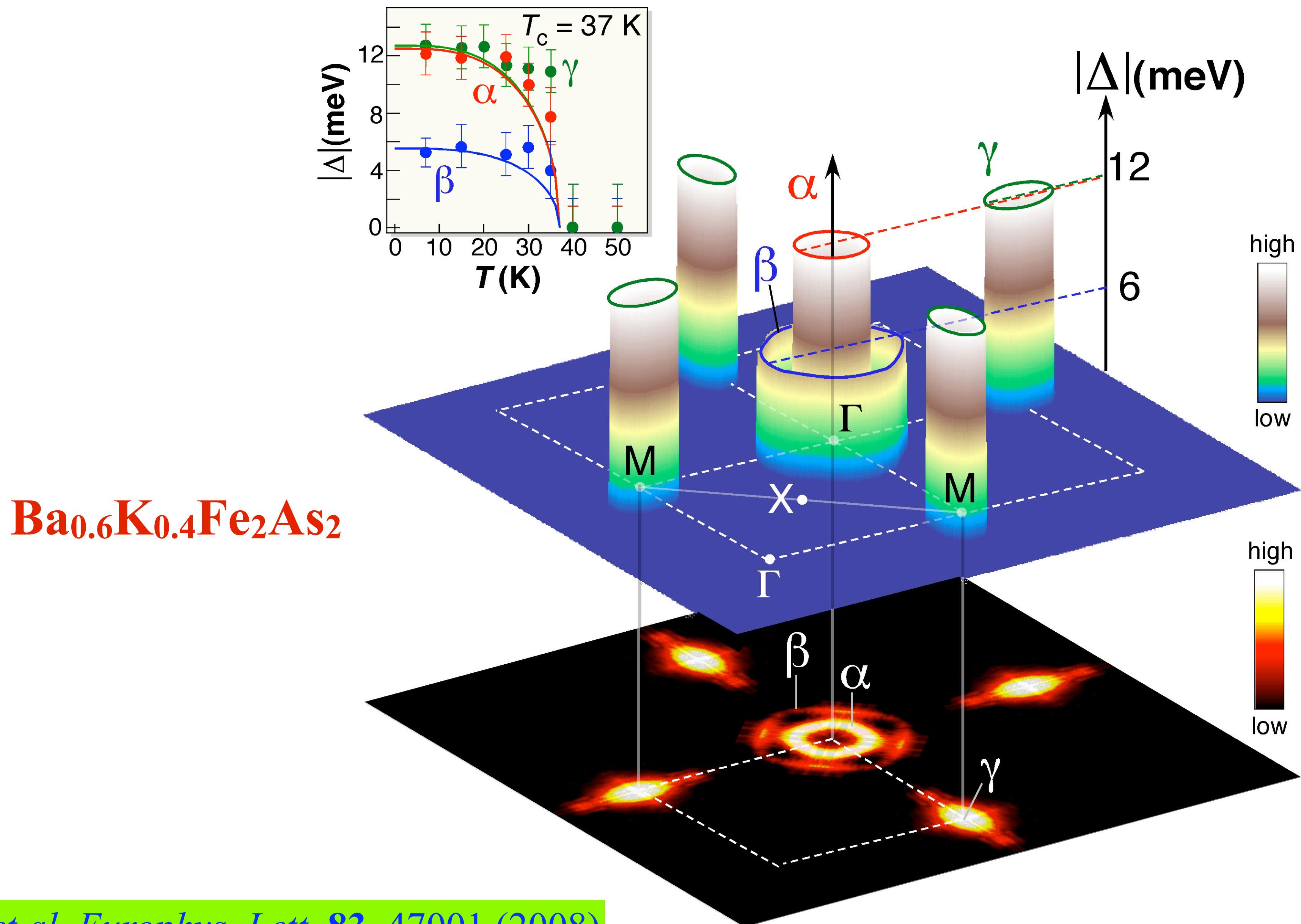
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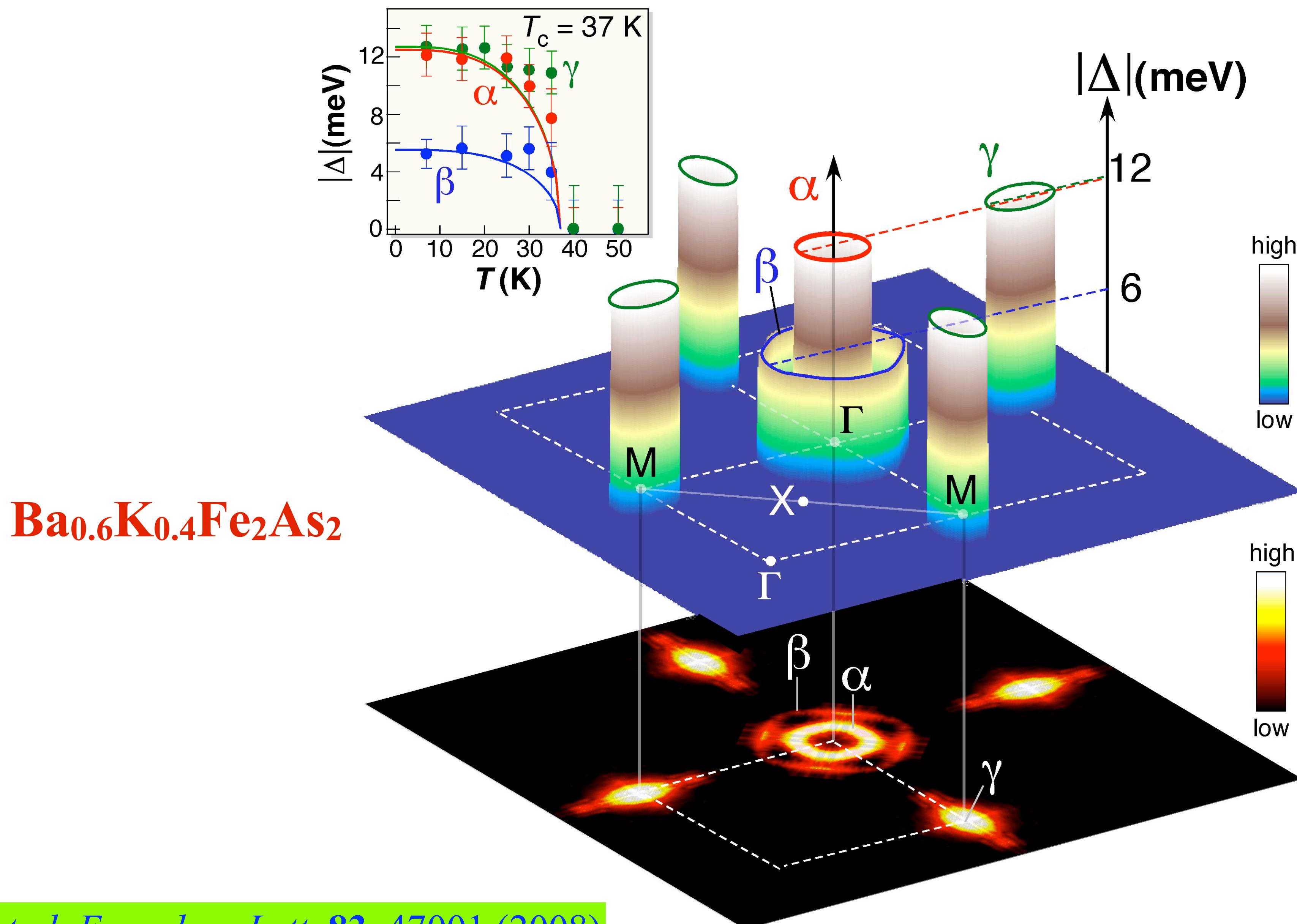
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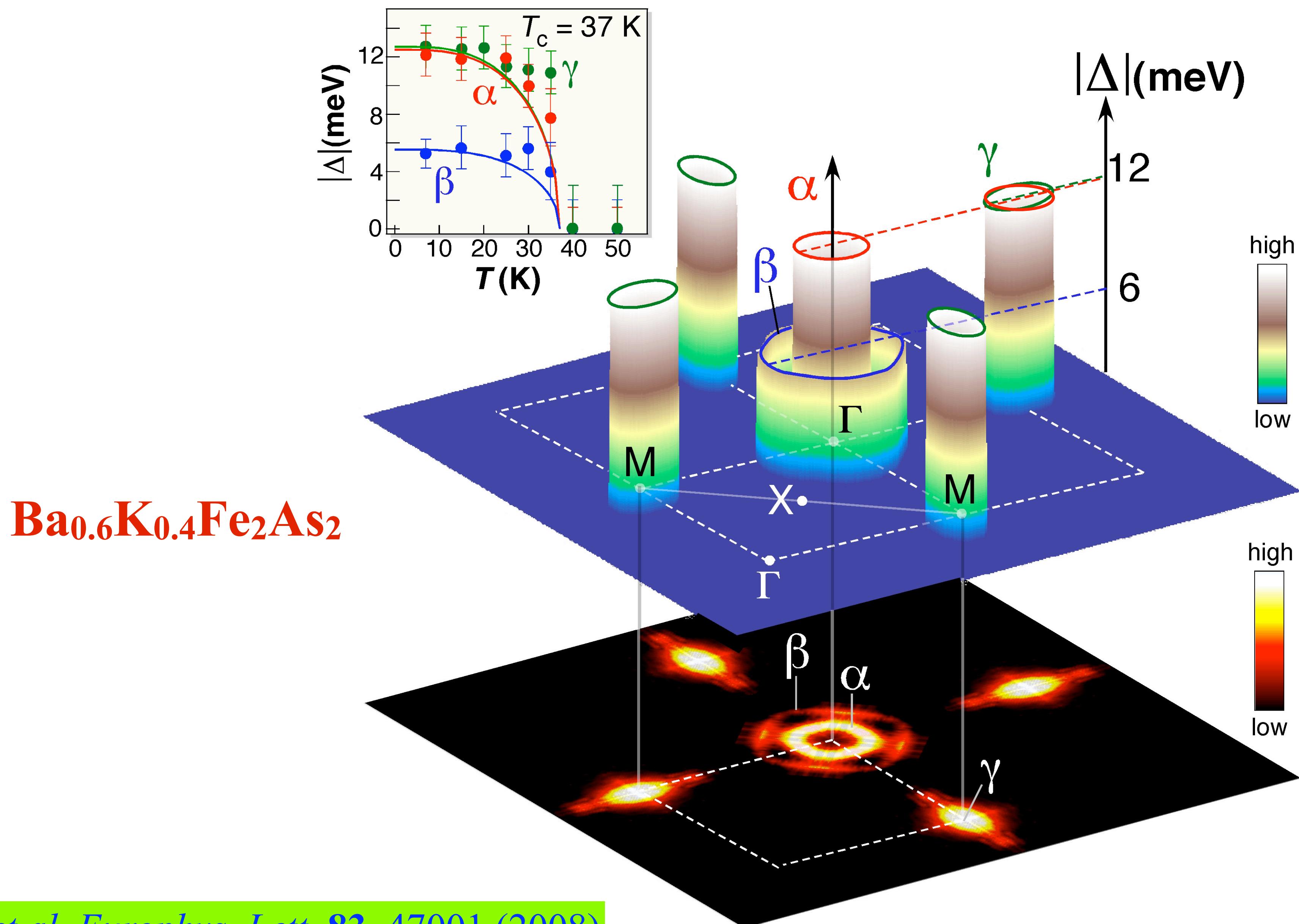
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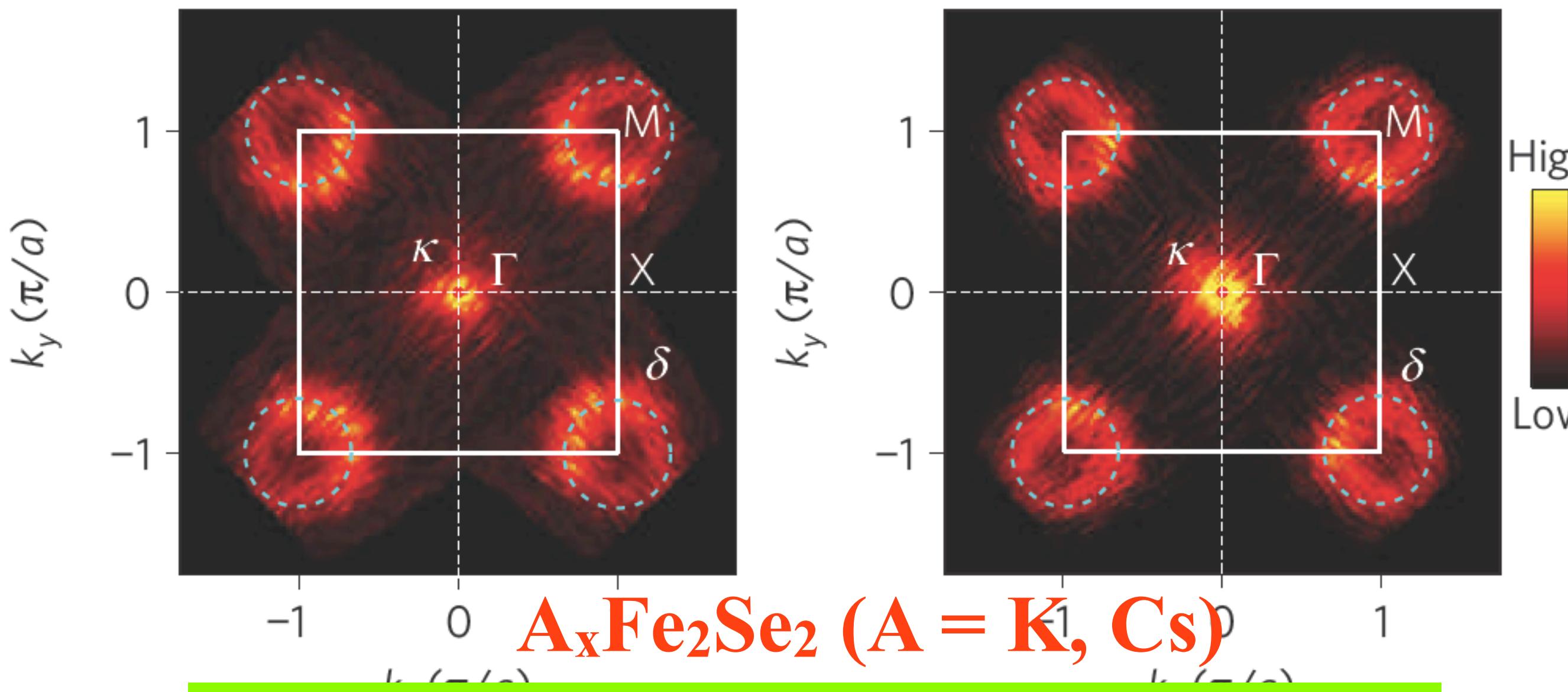
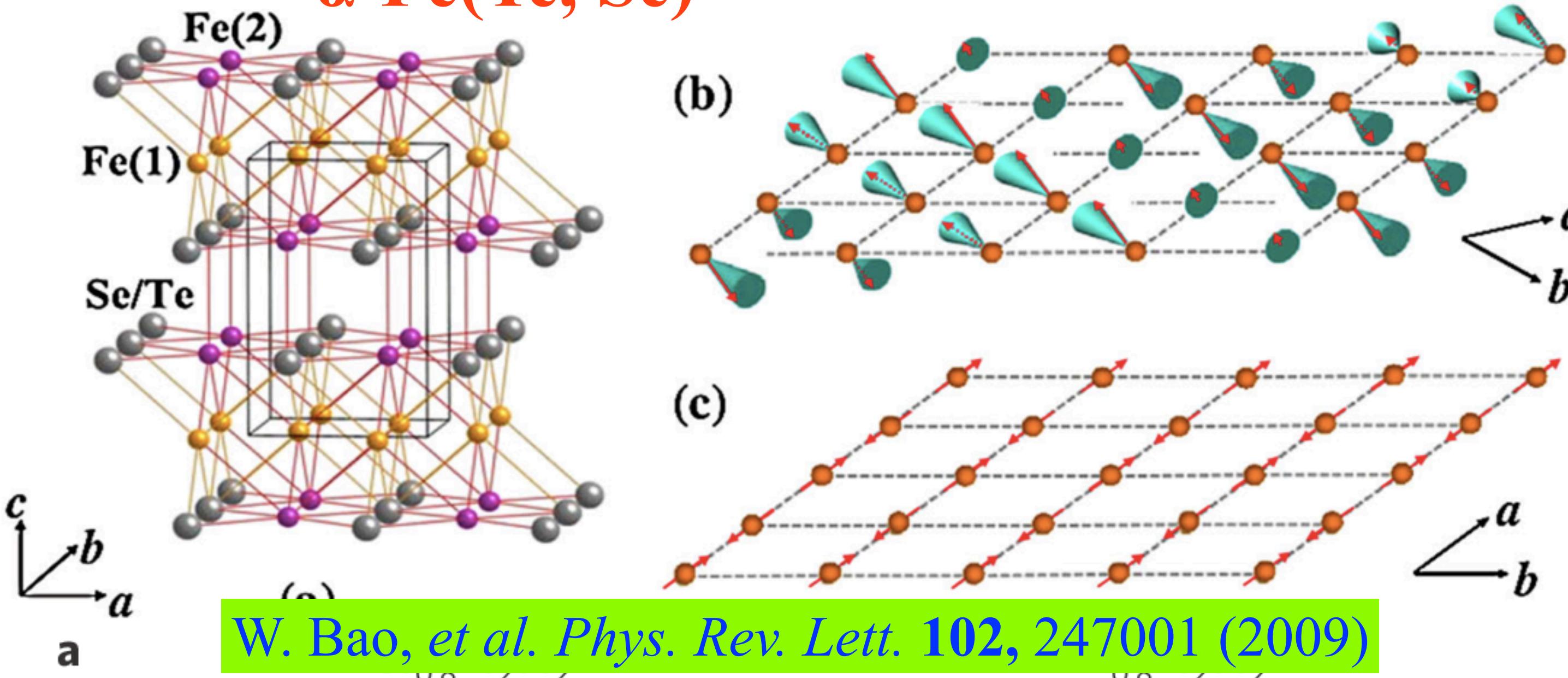


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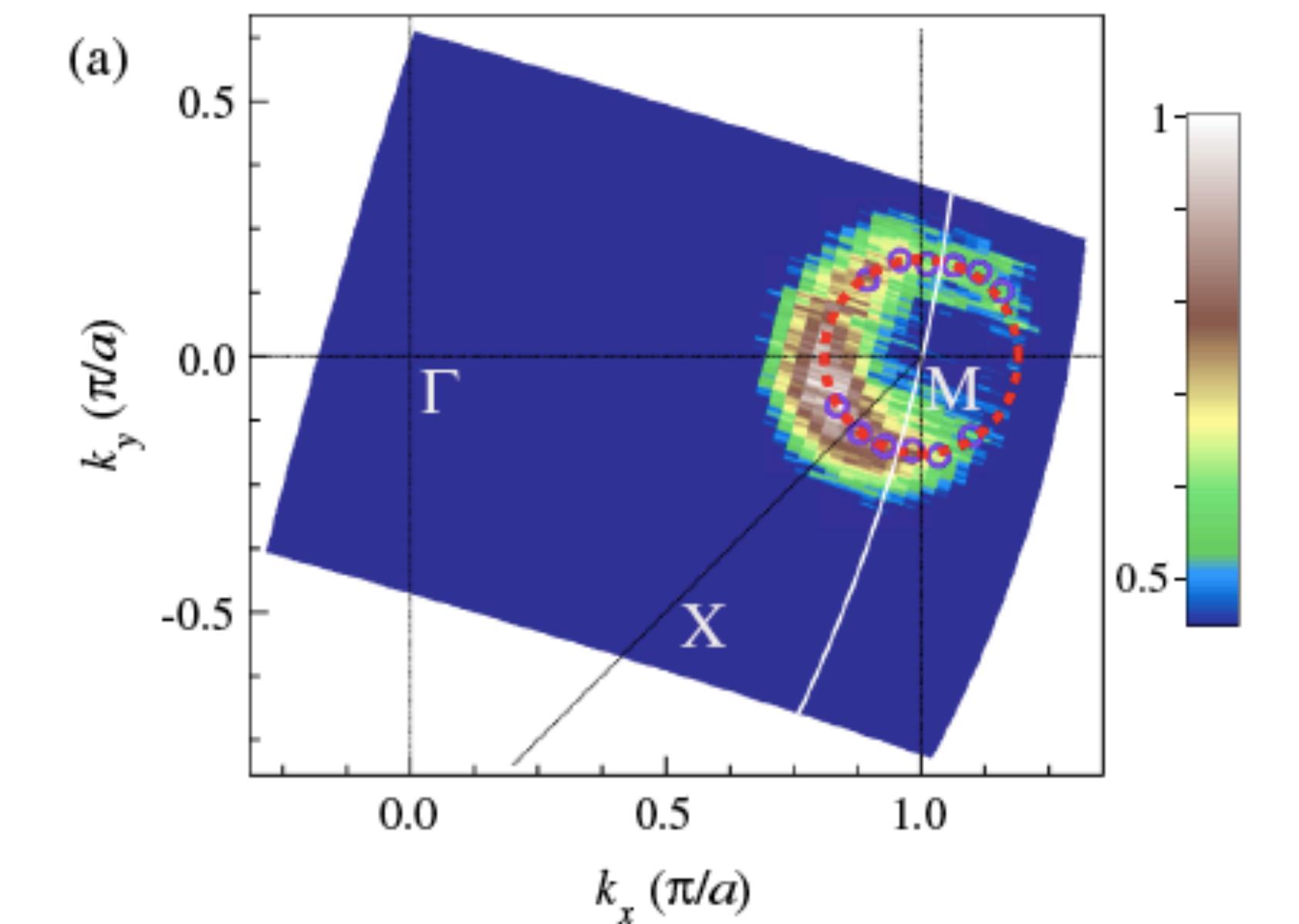


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$\alpha\text{-Fe(Te, Se)}$



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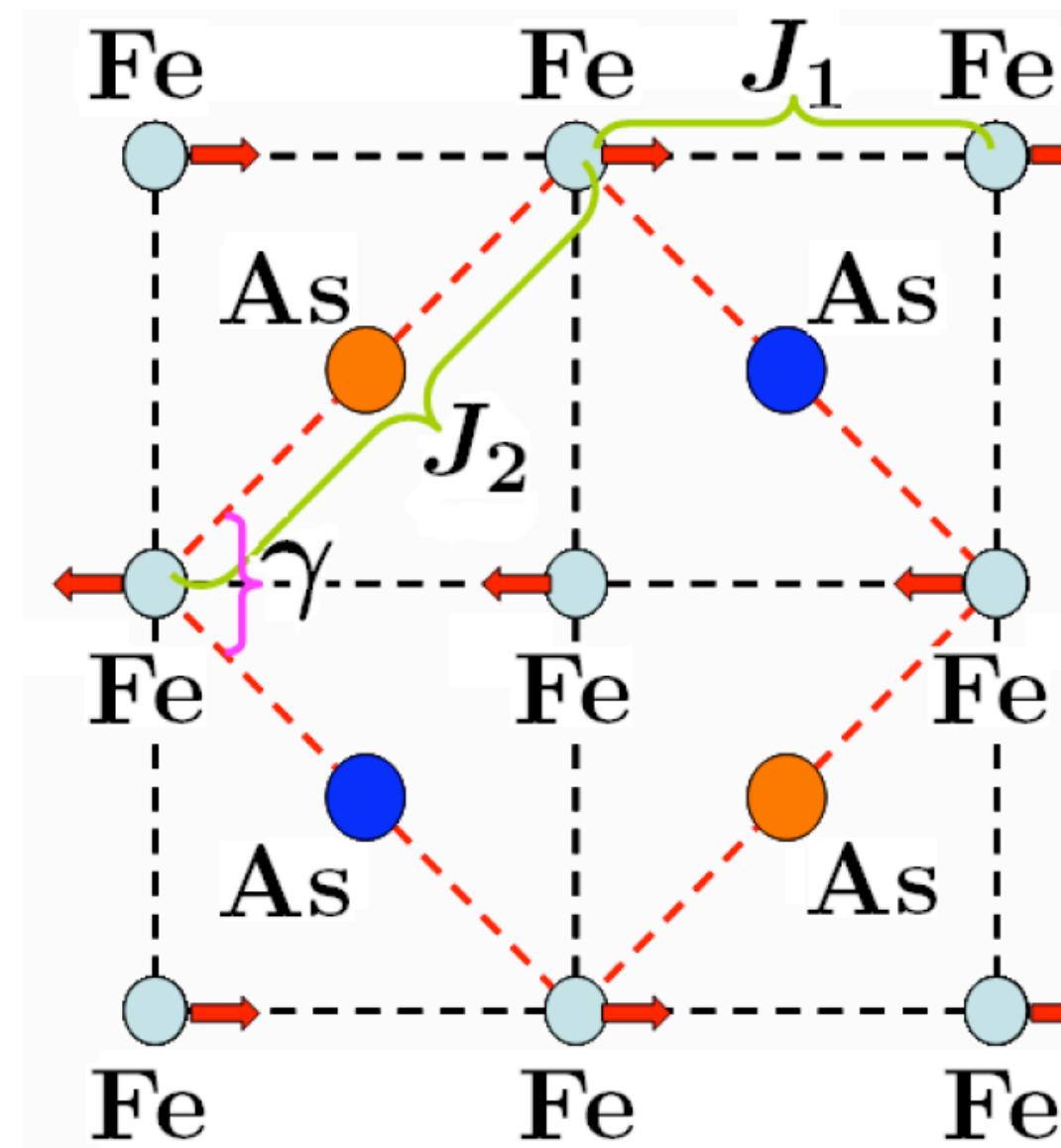
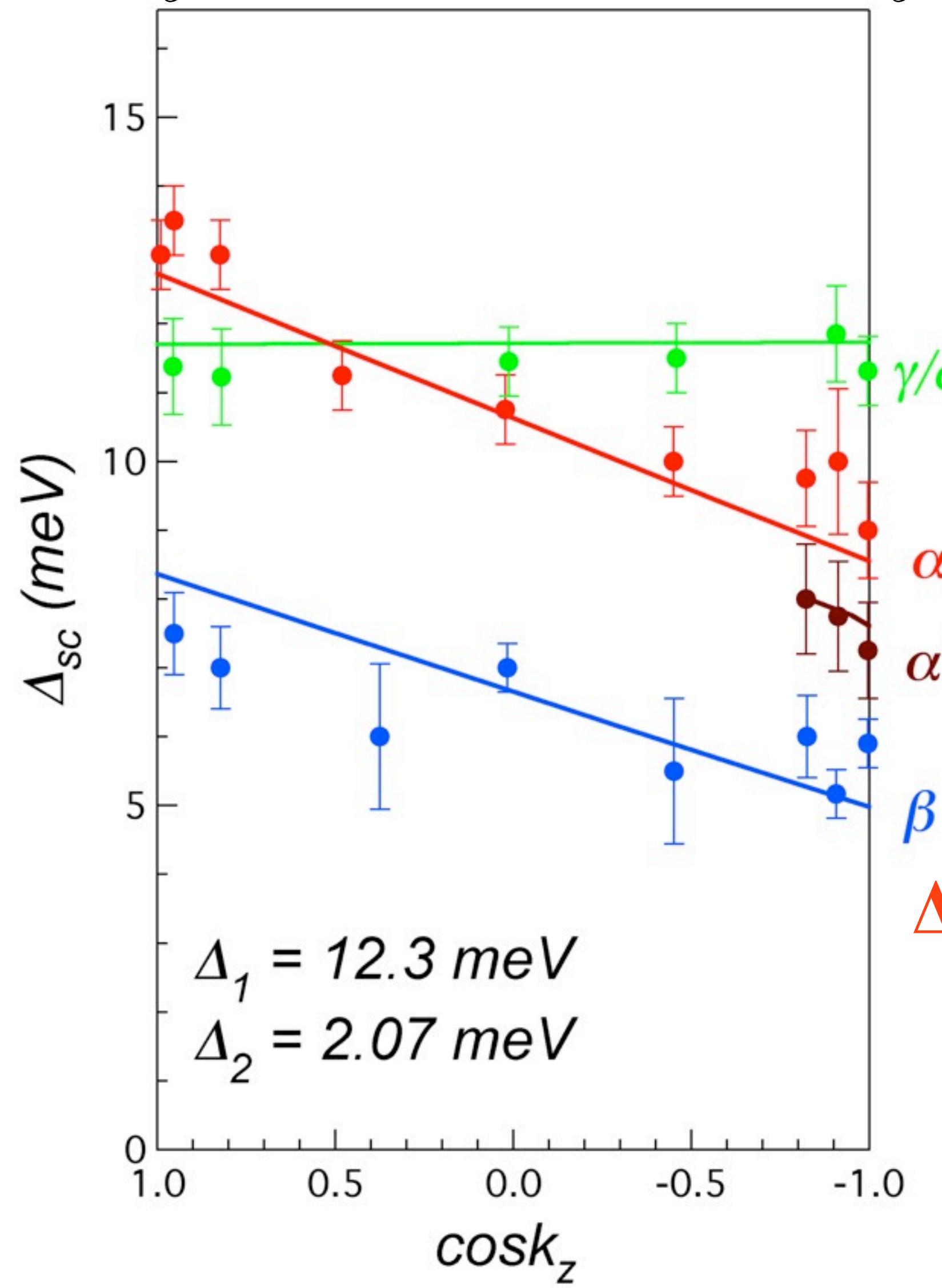


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$\text{Ba}_{0.6}\text{K}_{0.4}\text{Fe}_2\text{As}_2$

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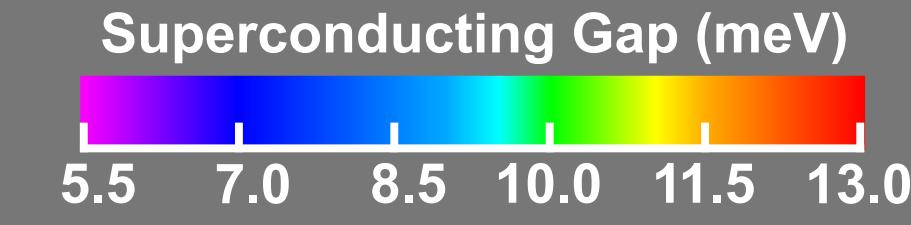
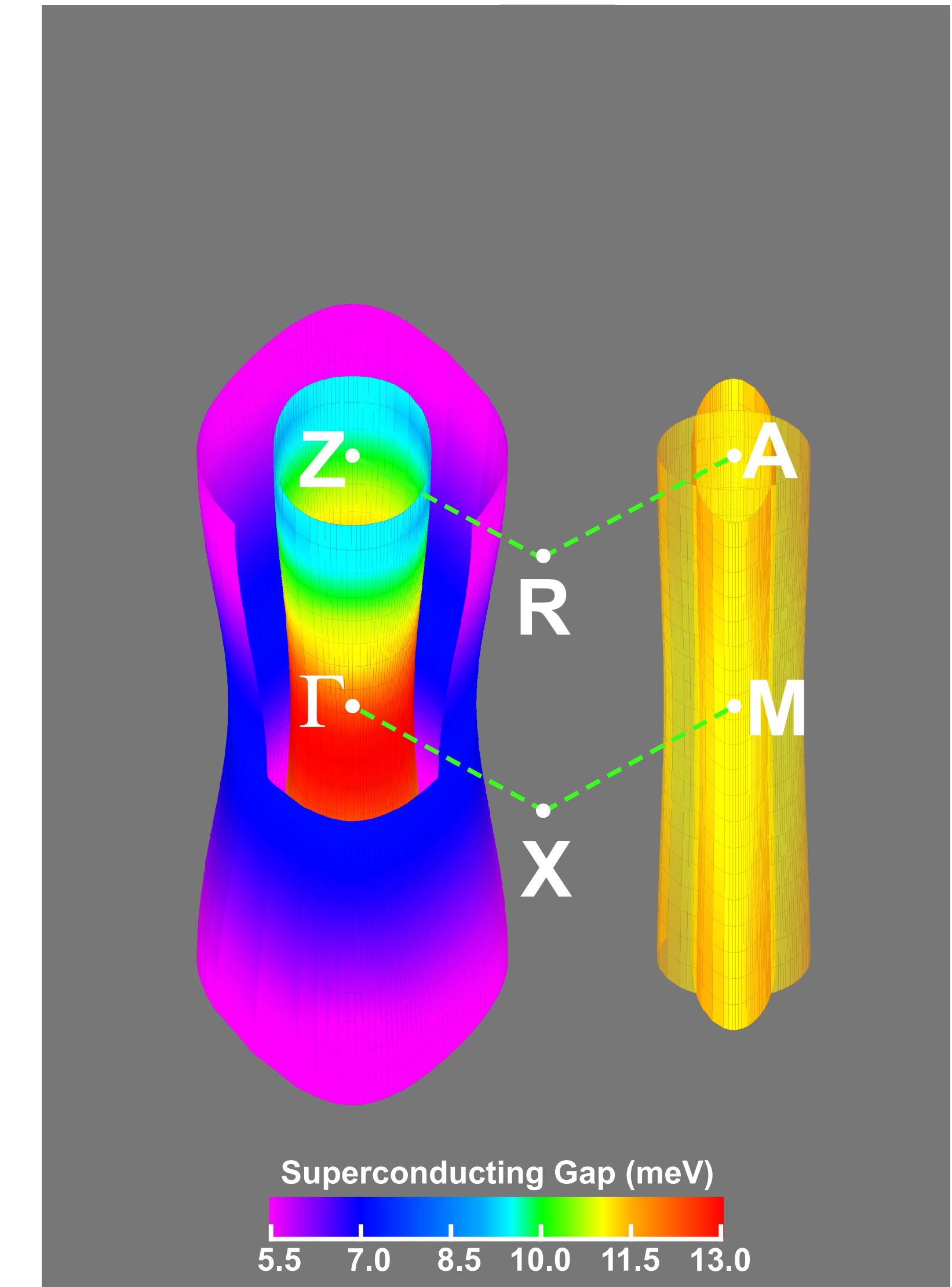
$$\Delta(k_x, k_y, k_z) = \Delta_1 \cos k_x \cos k_y + \frac{\Delta_2}{2} (\cos k_x + \cos k_y) \cos k_z + \cancel{\Delta_3 (\cos k_x \cos k_y) \cos k_z}$$



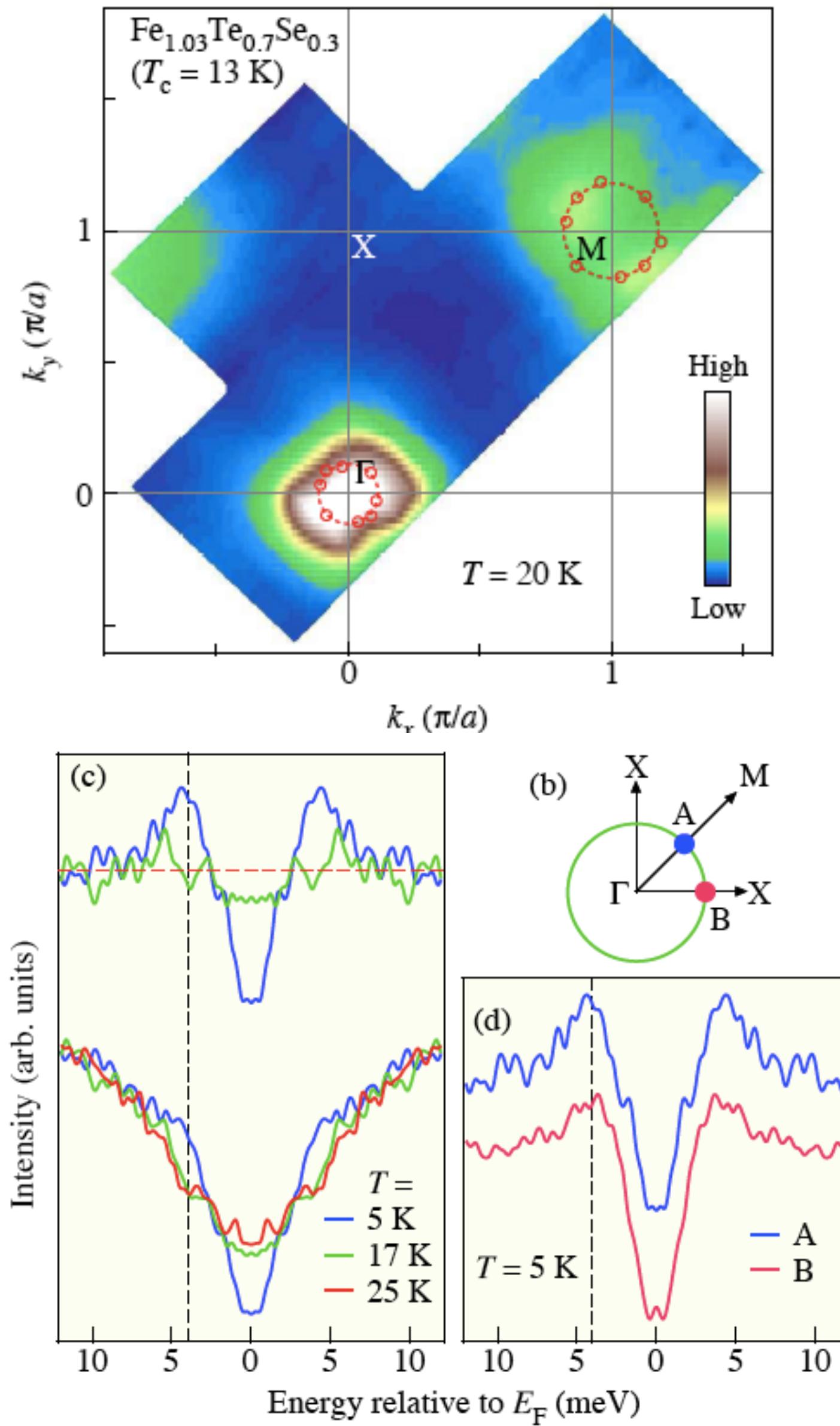
$$\Delta_2/\Delta_1 \approx J_c/J_{ab} \approx 0.17$$

$$J_c = 5 \text{ meV}$$

$$J_{ab} = 30 \text{ meV}$$

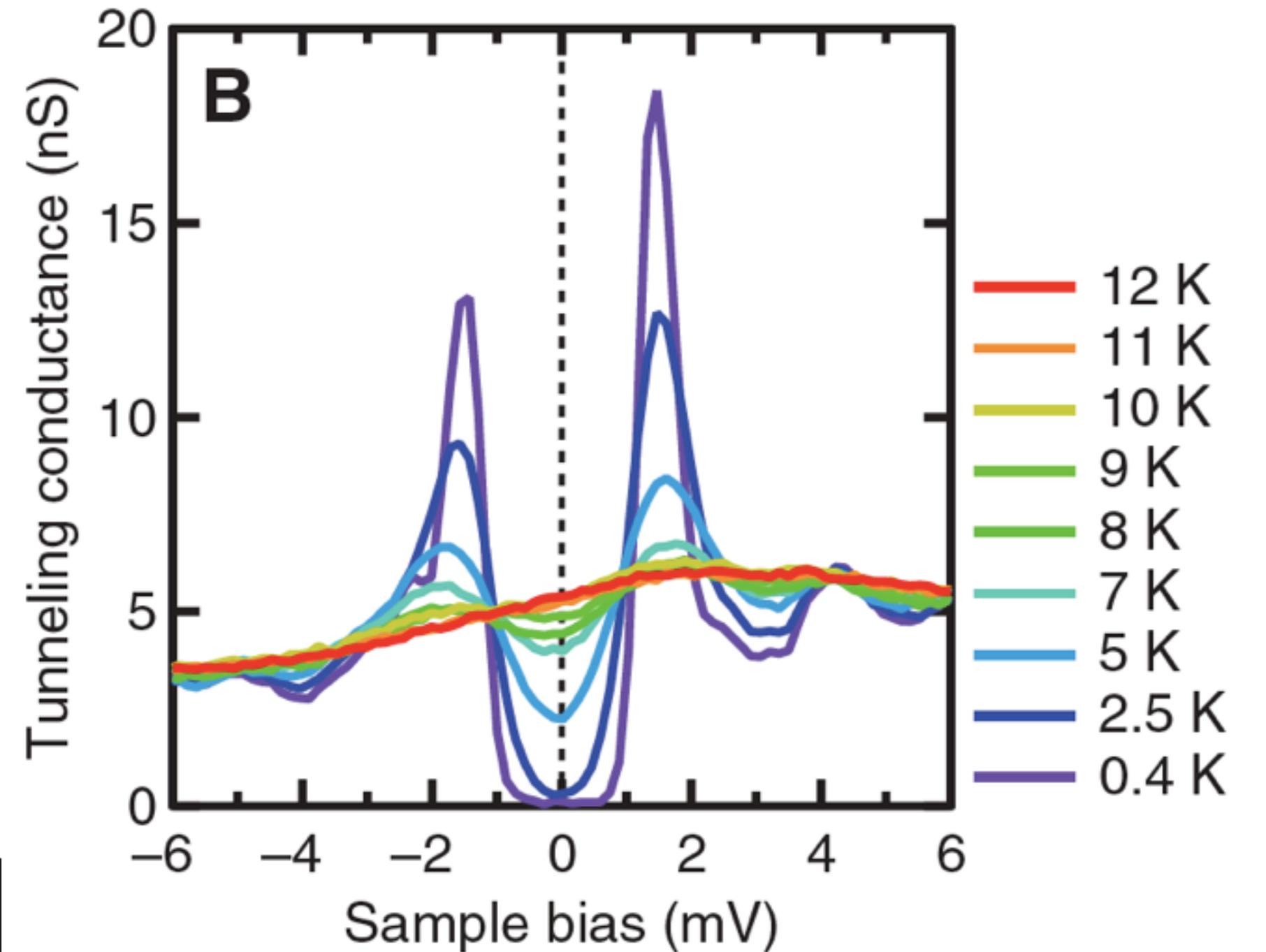


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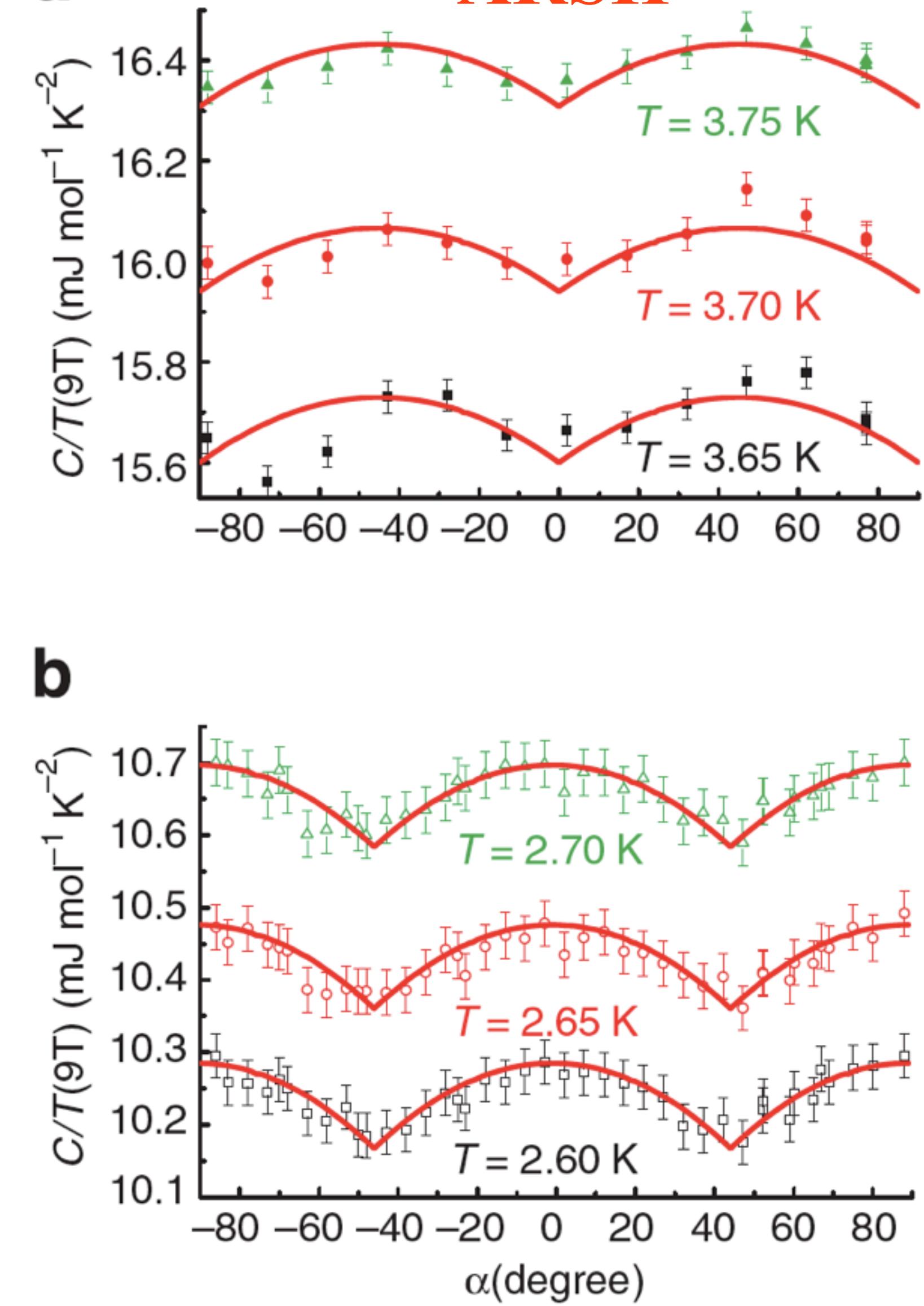
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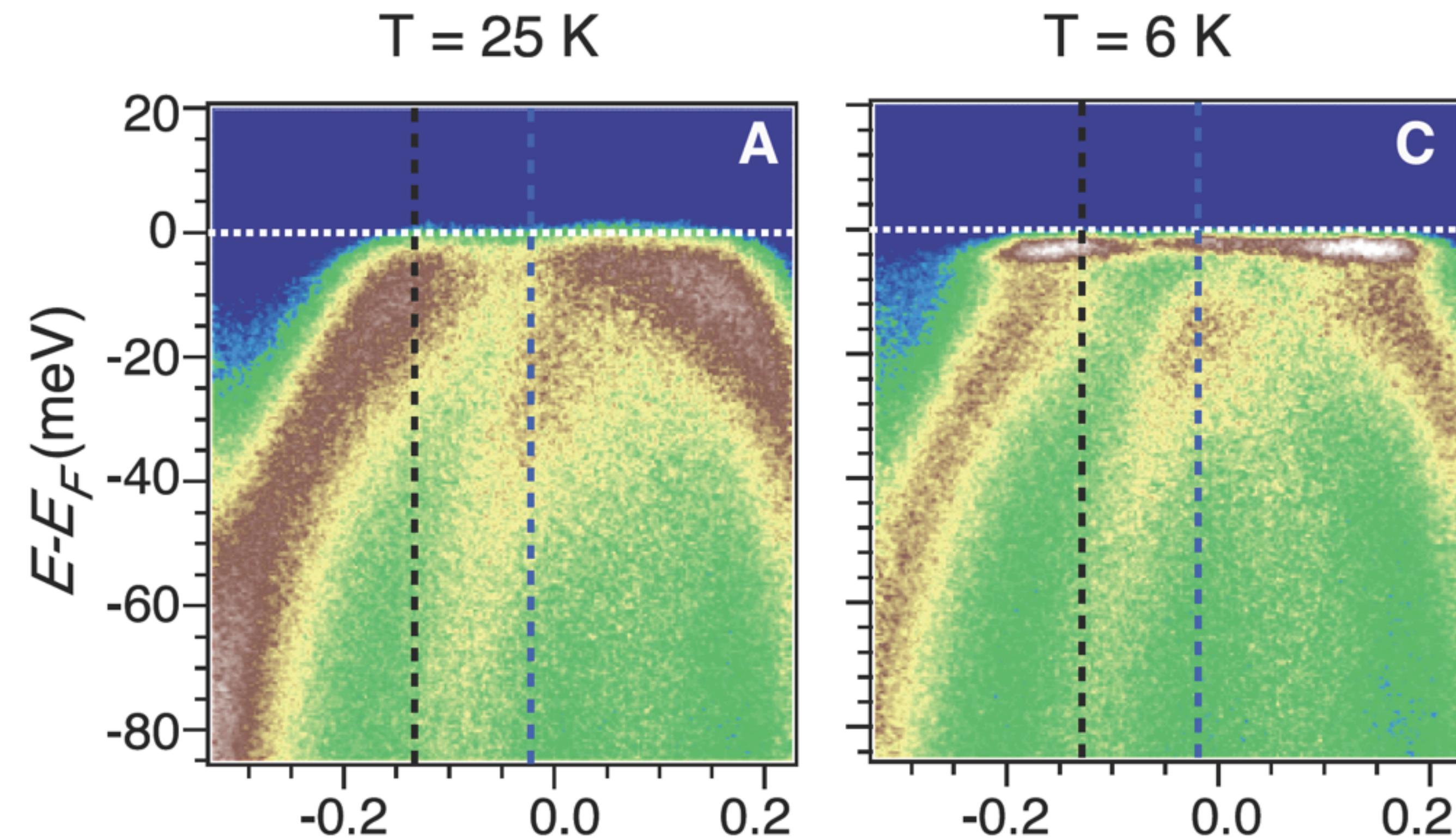


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band structure

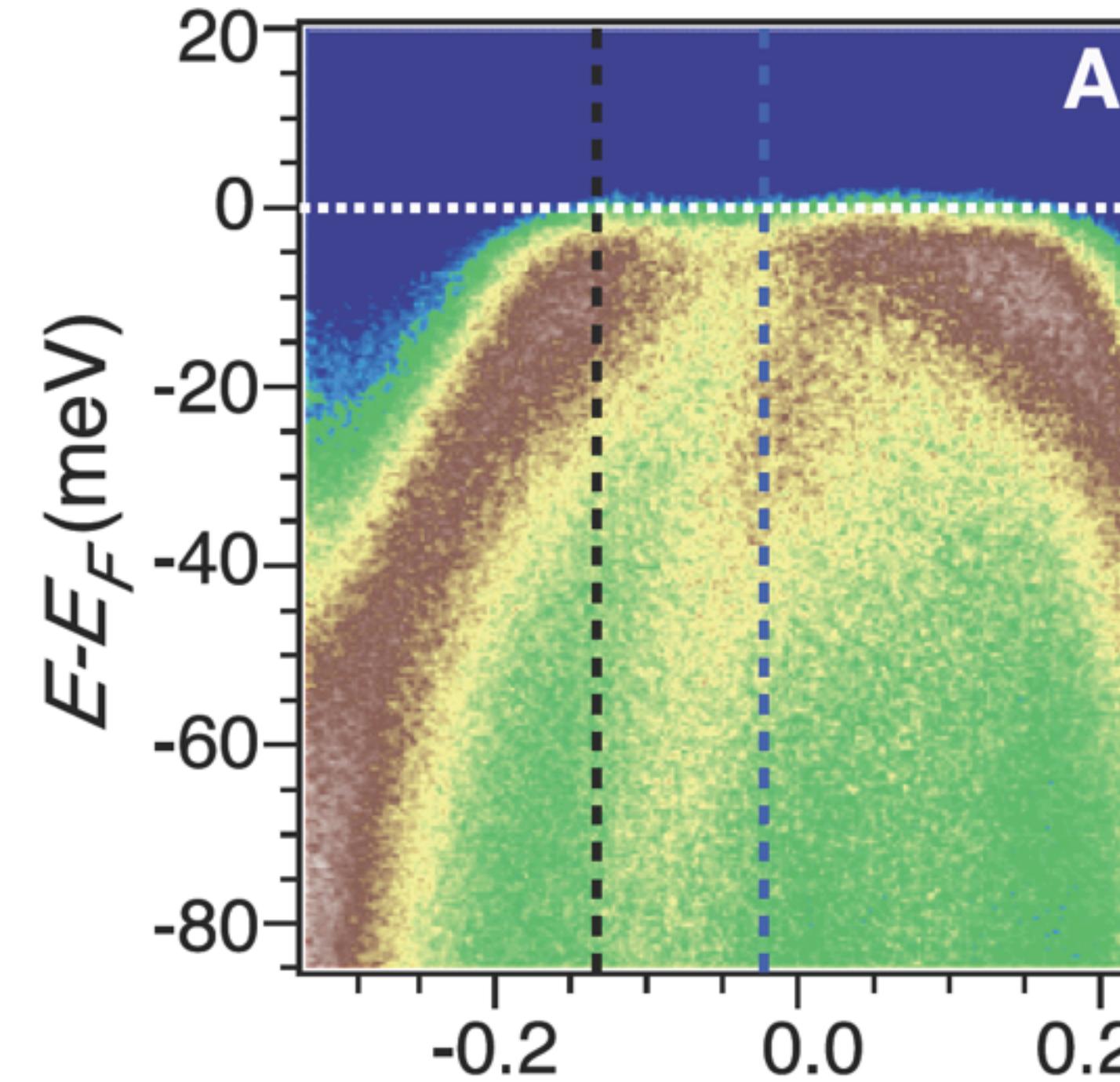


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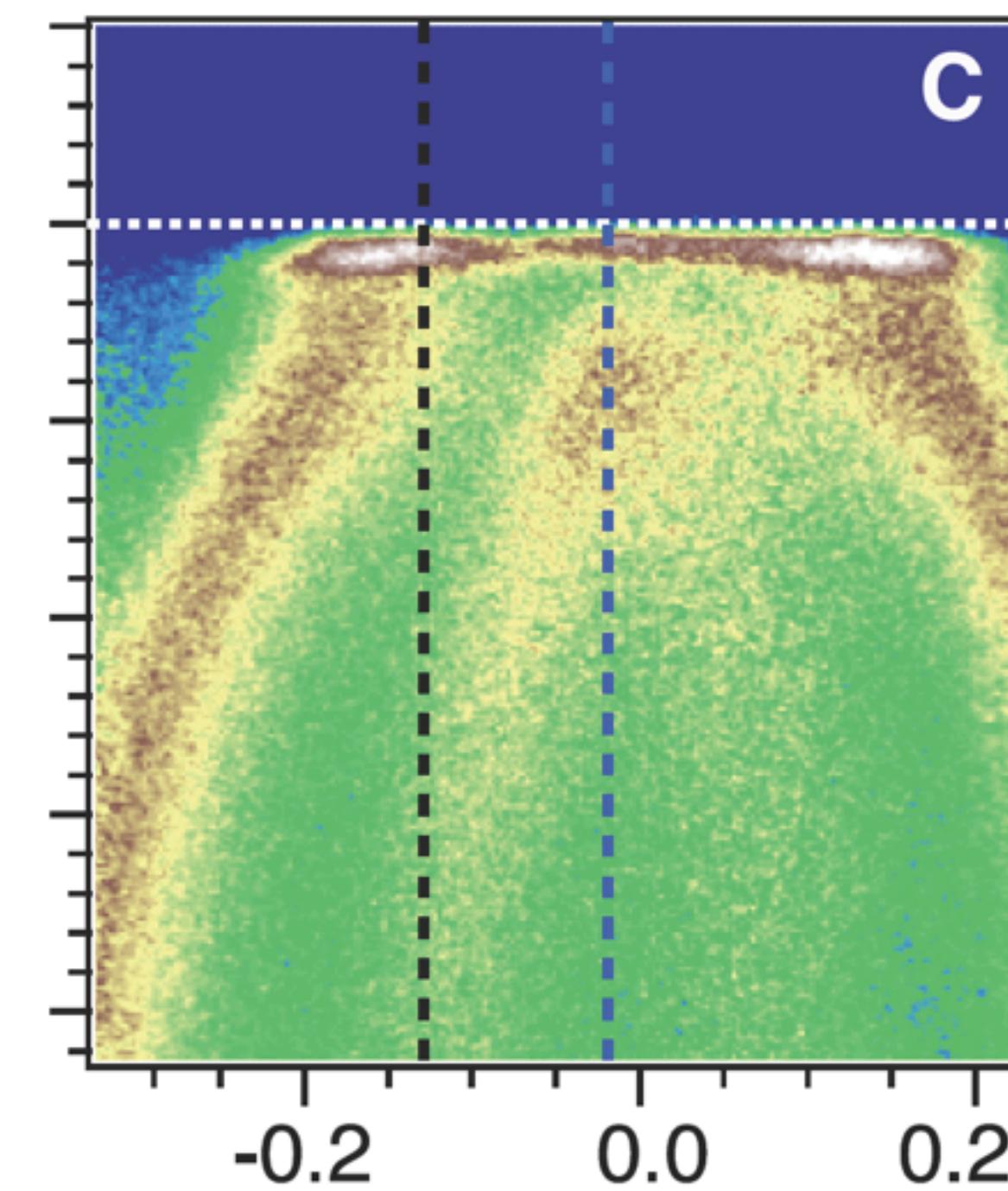
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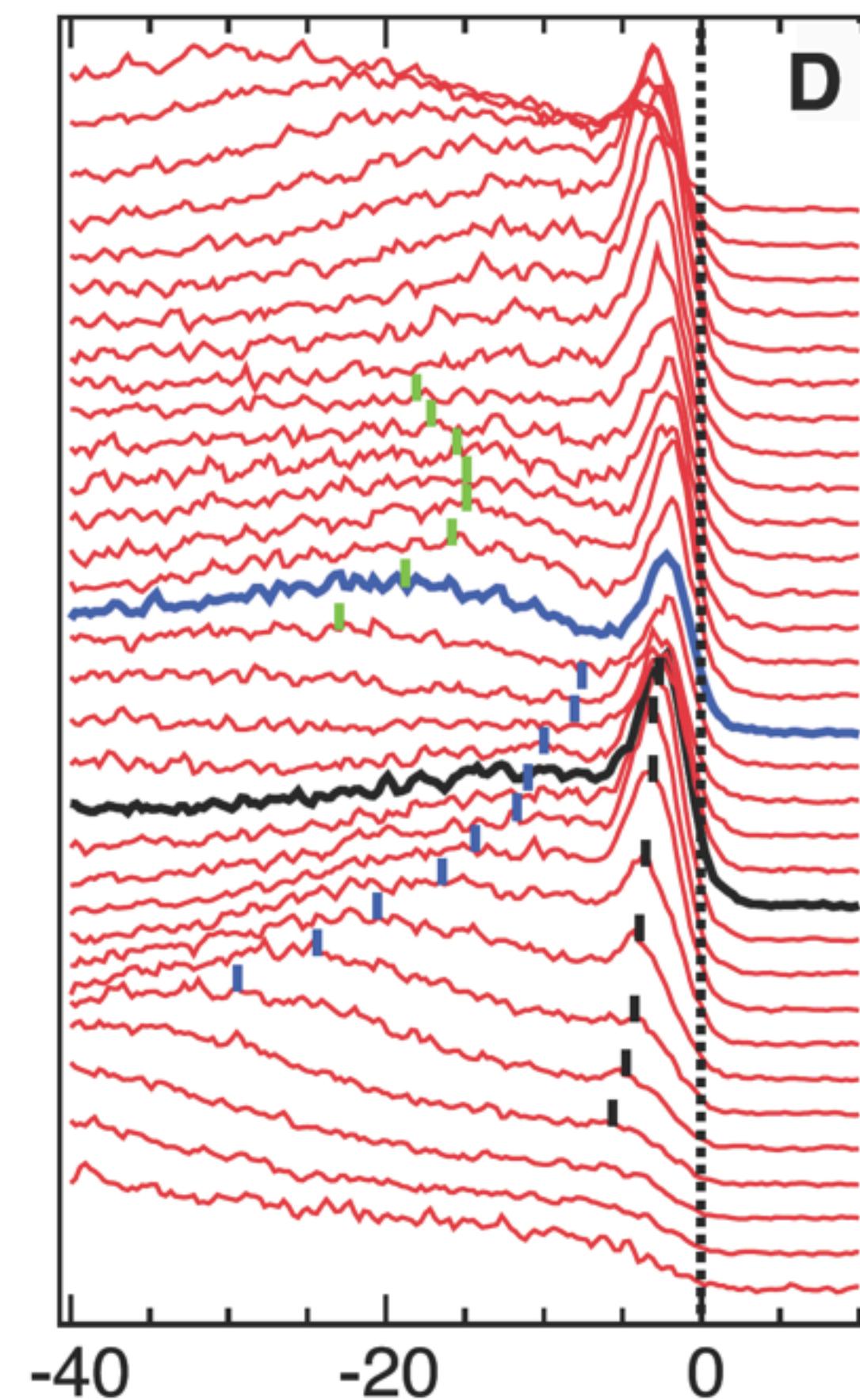
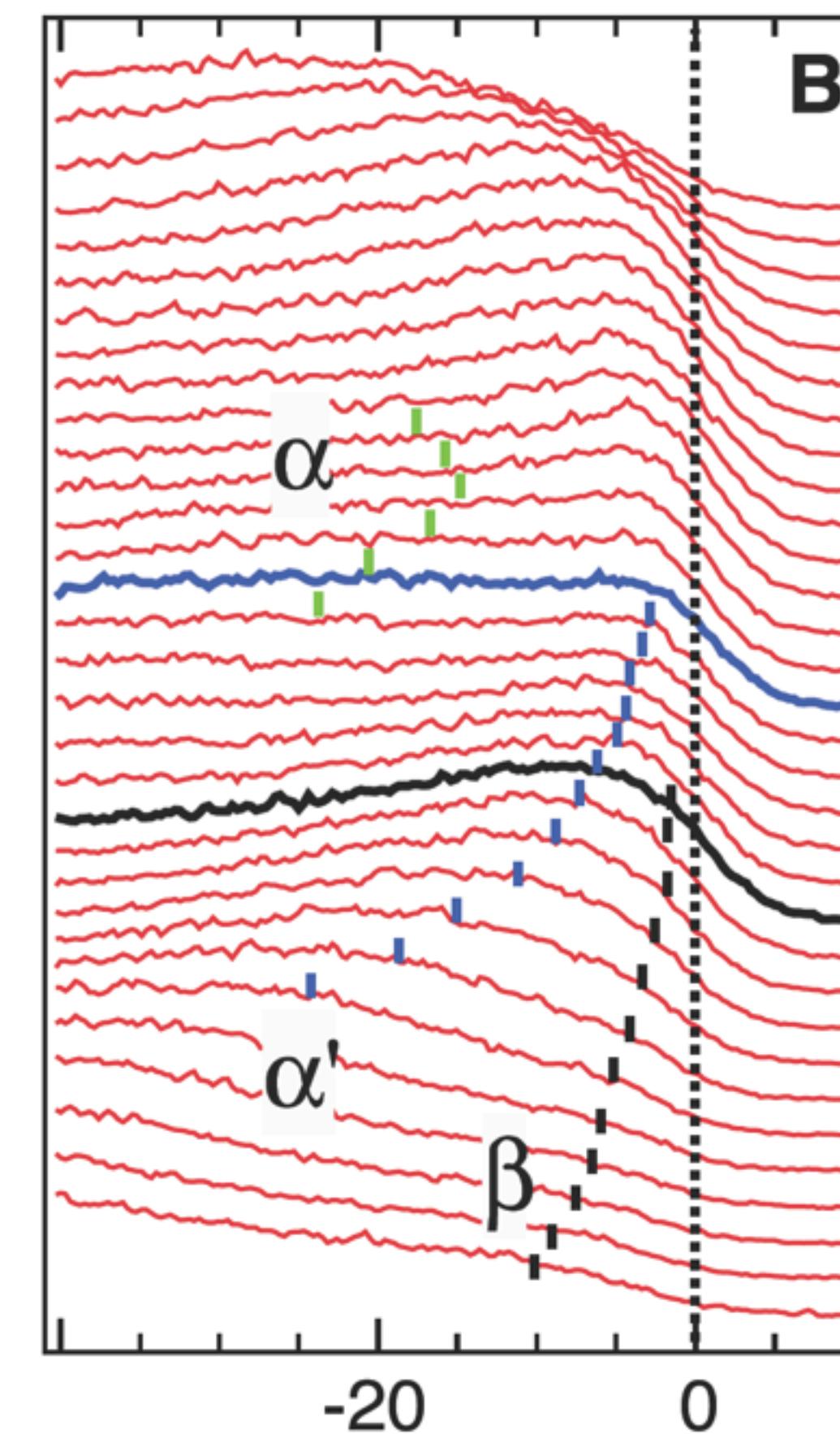


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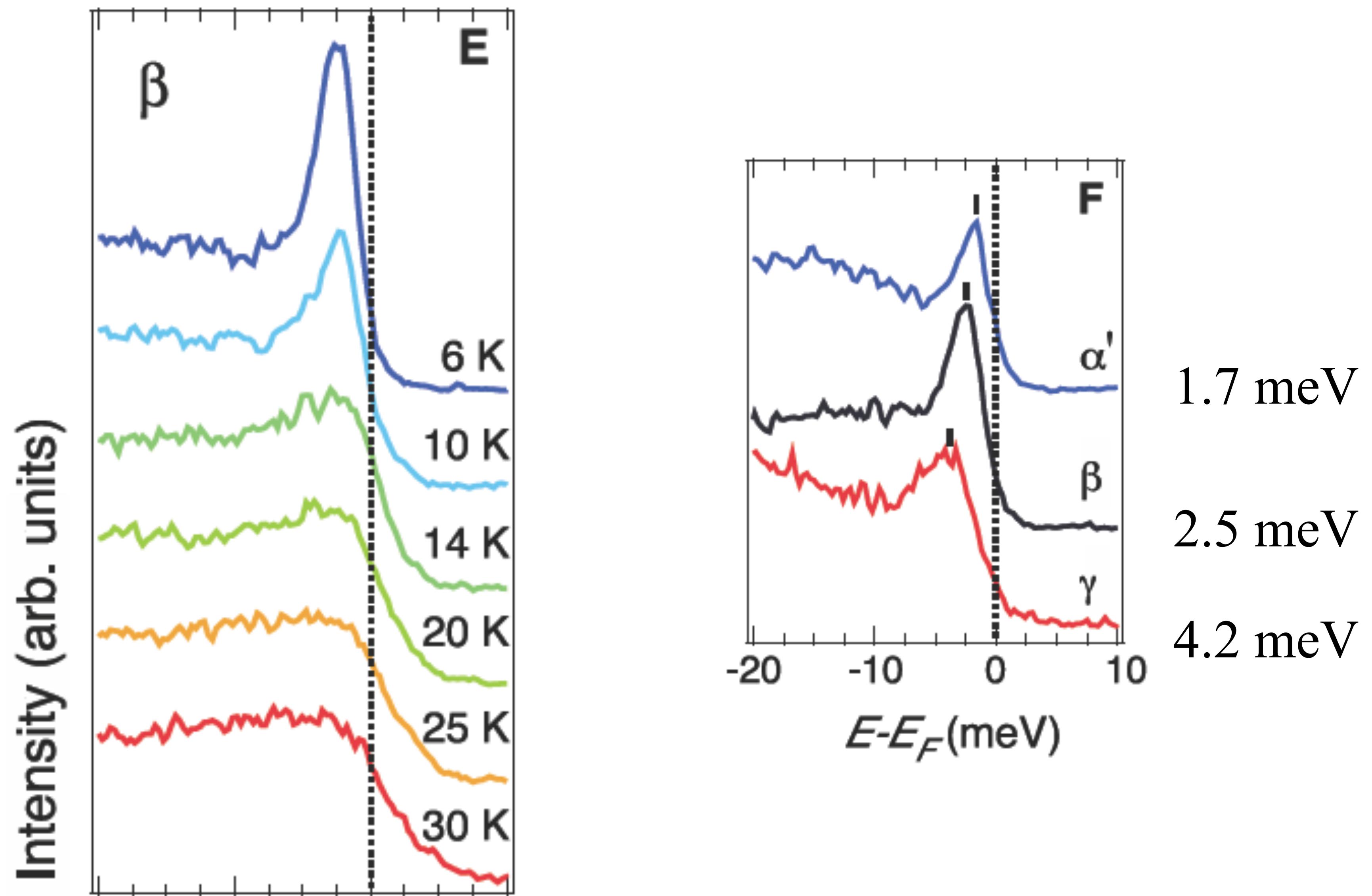


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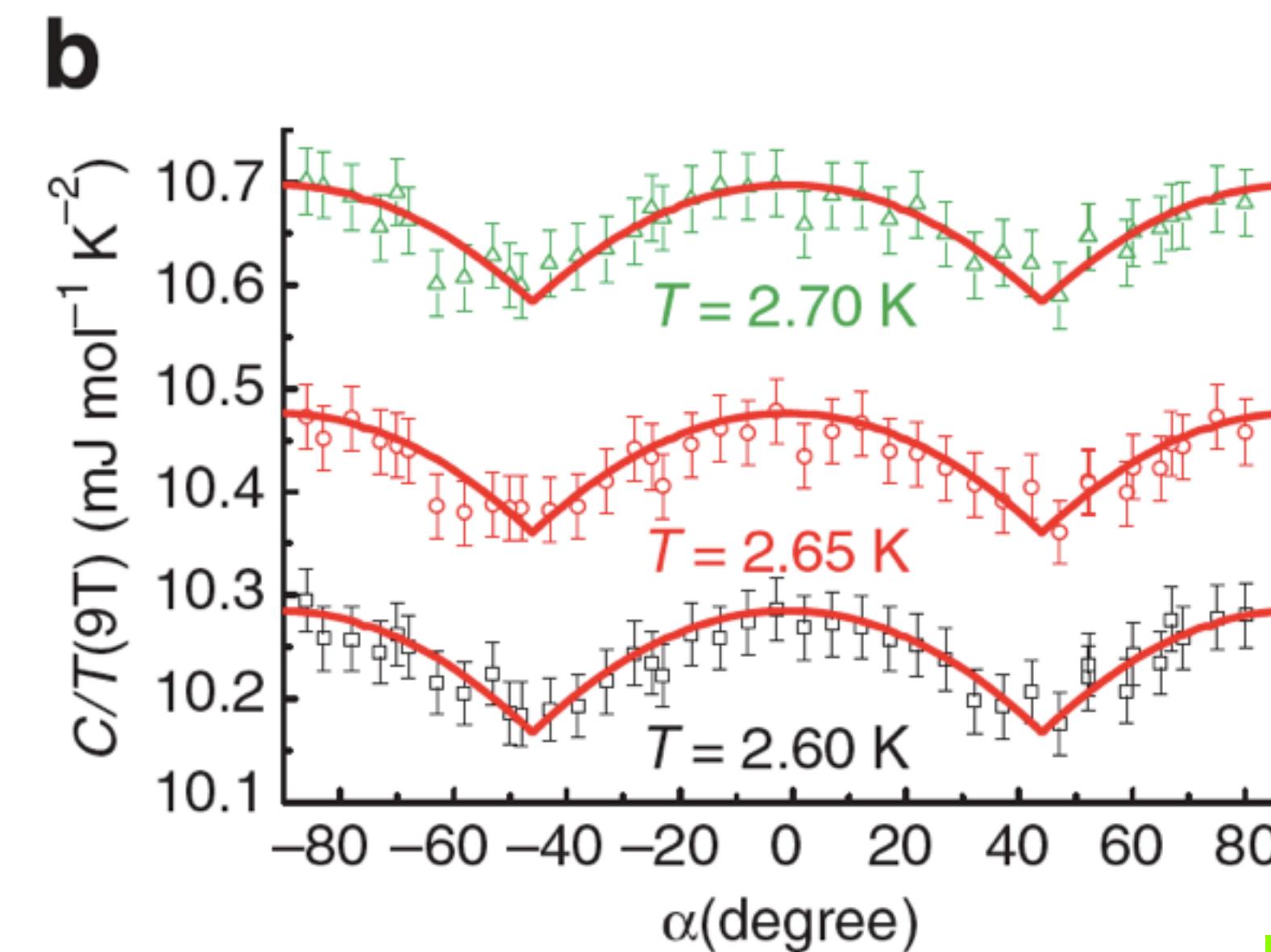
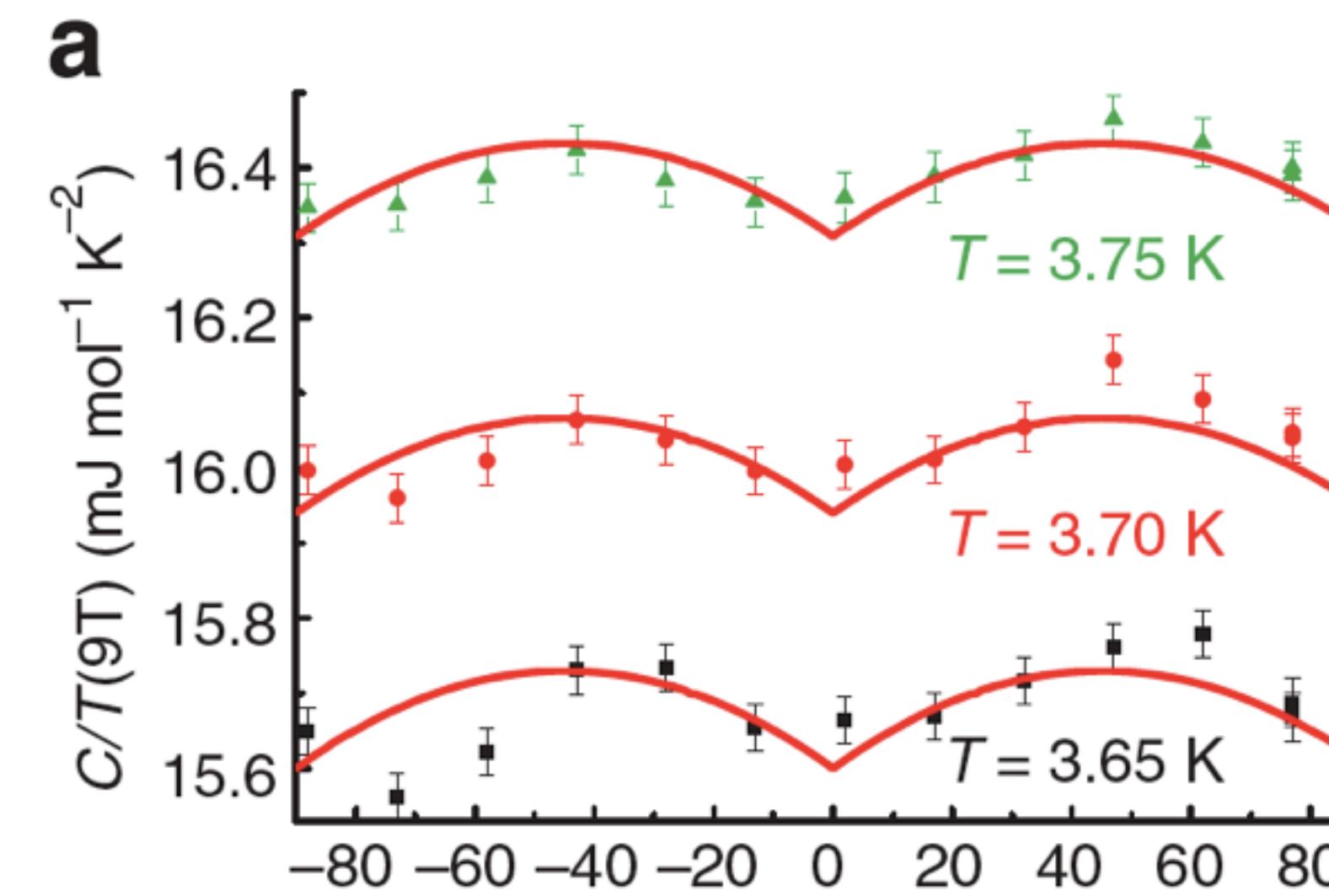
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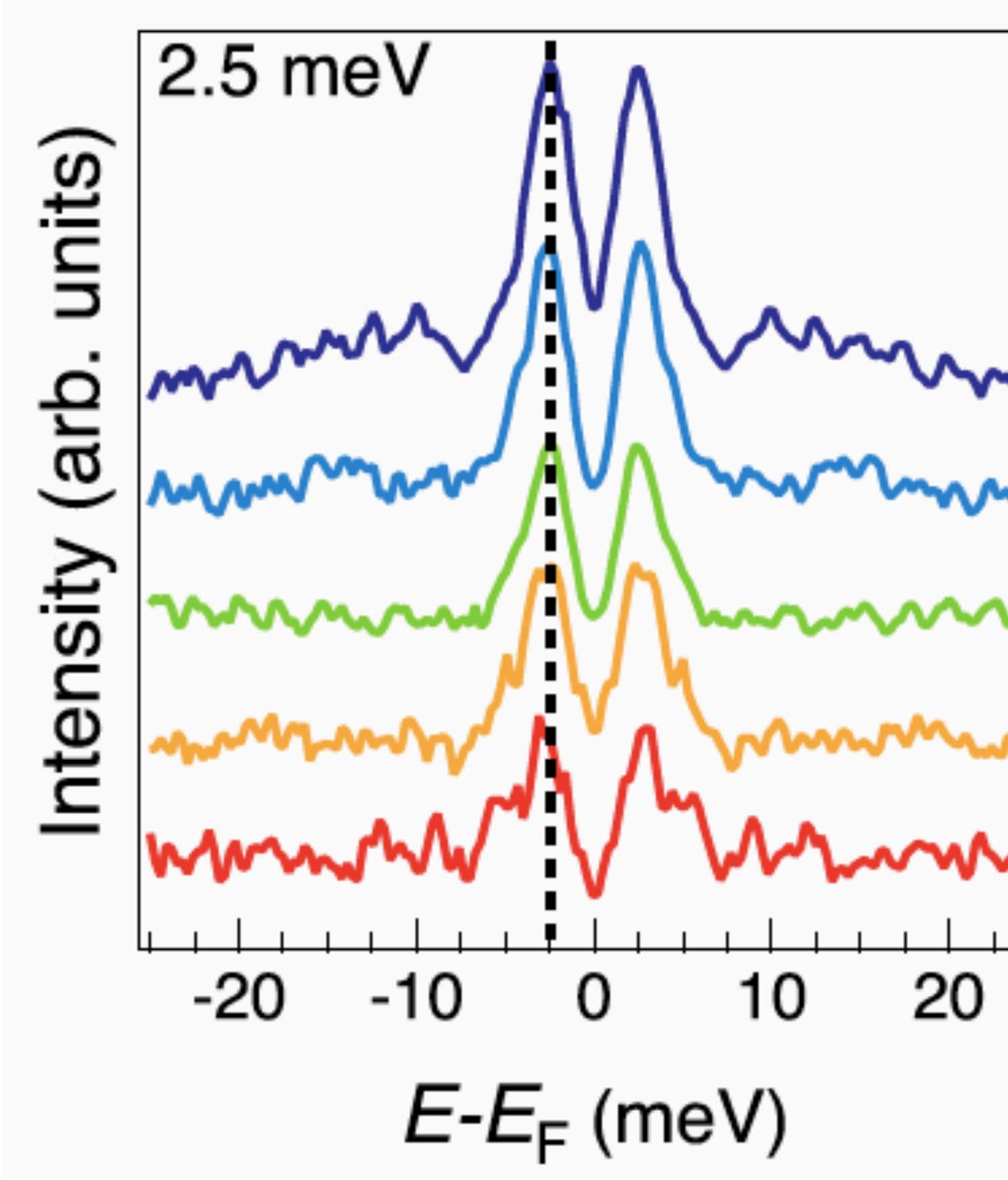
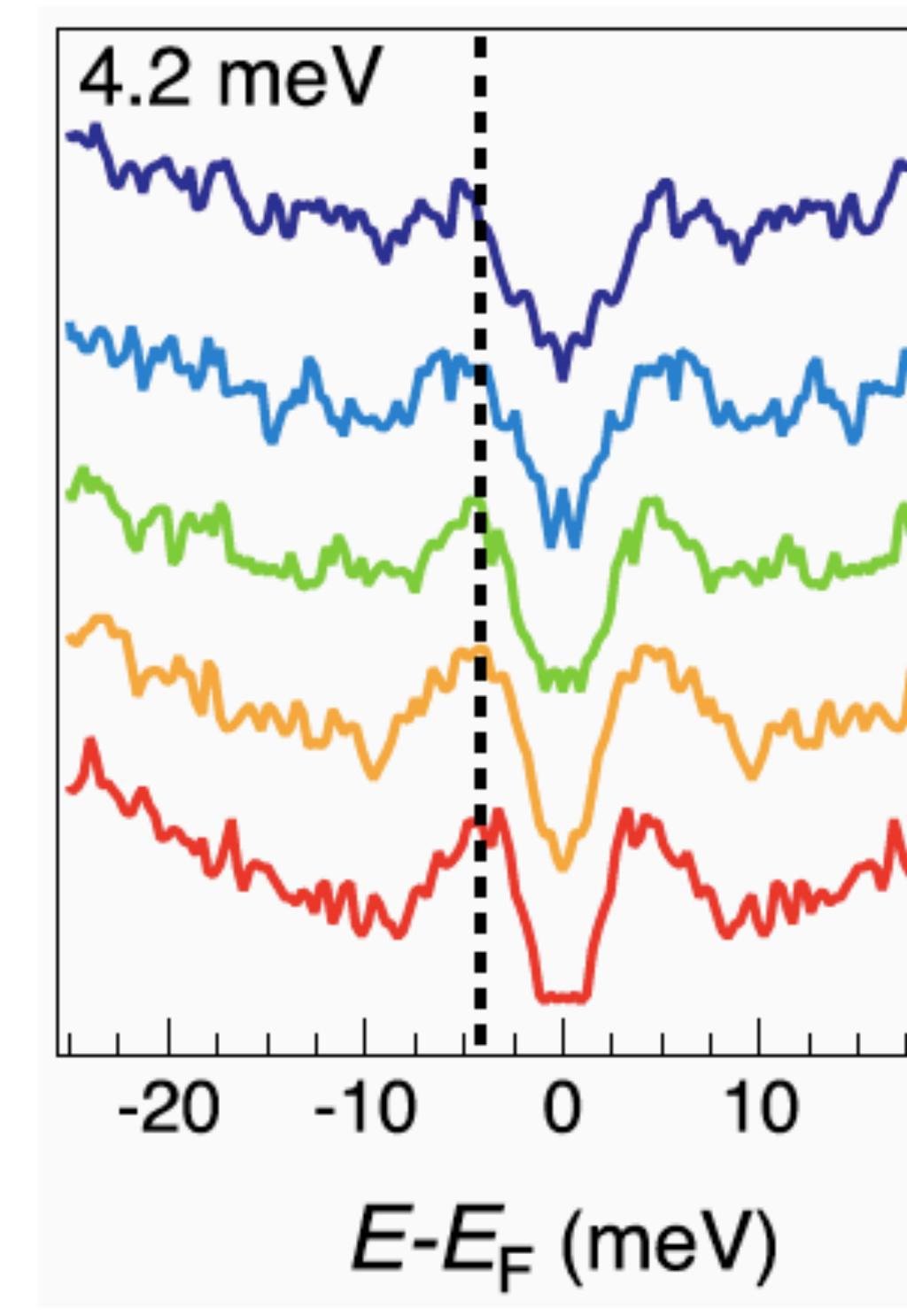
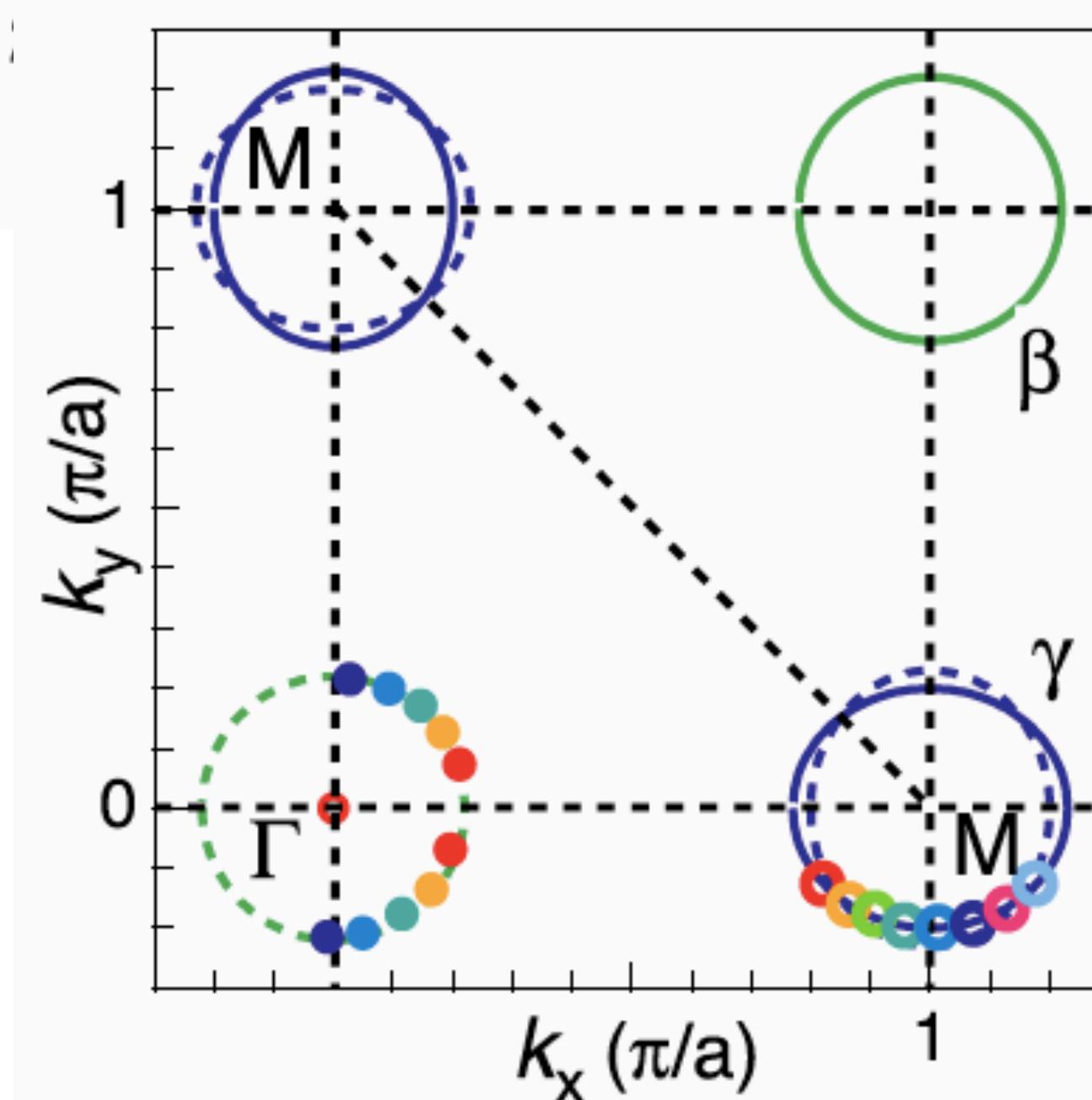
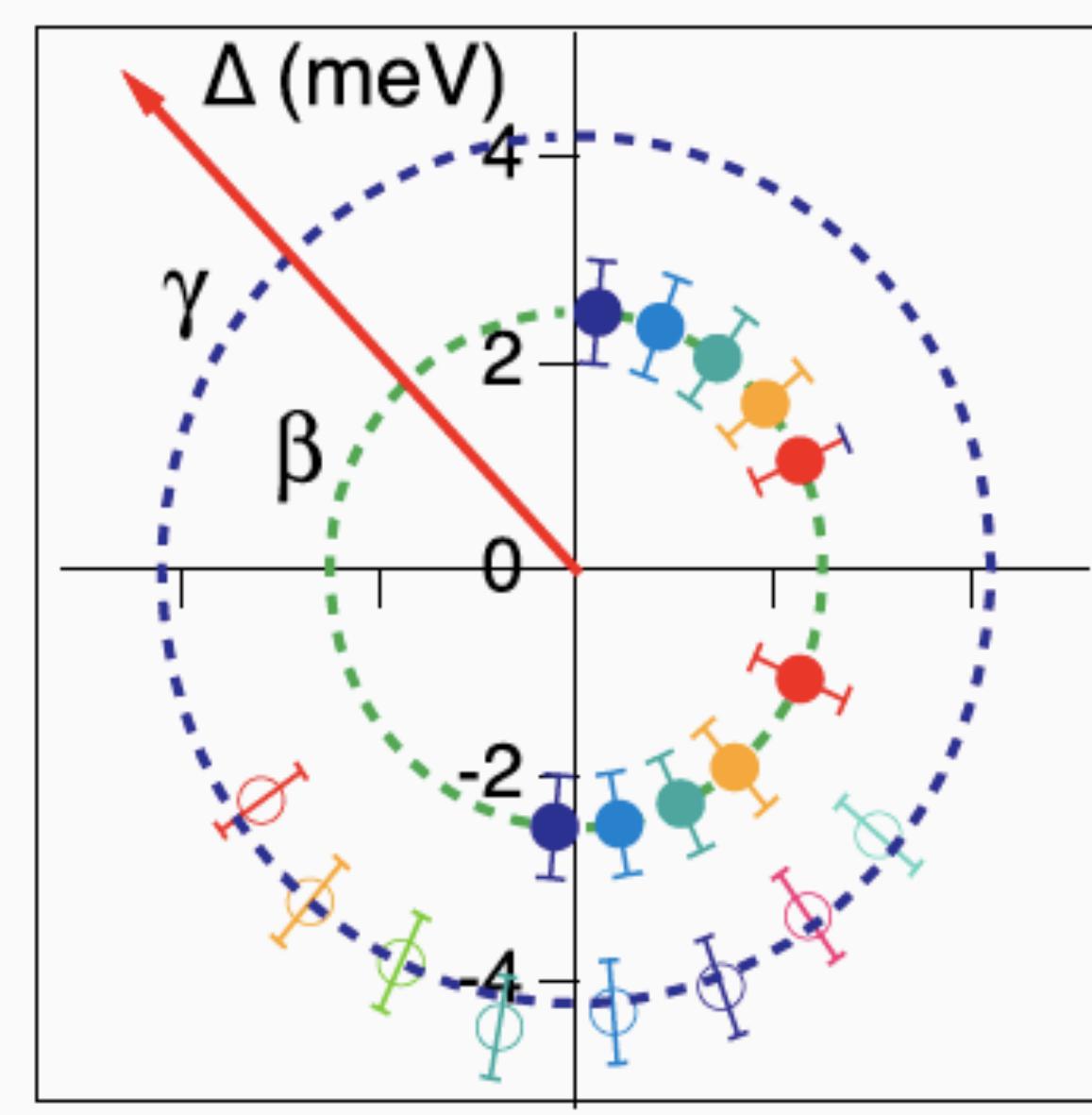
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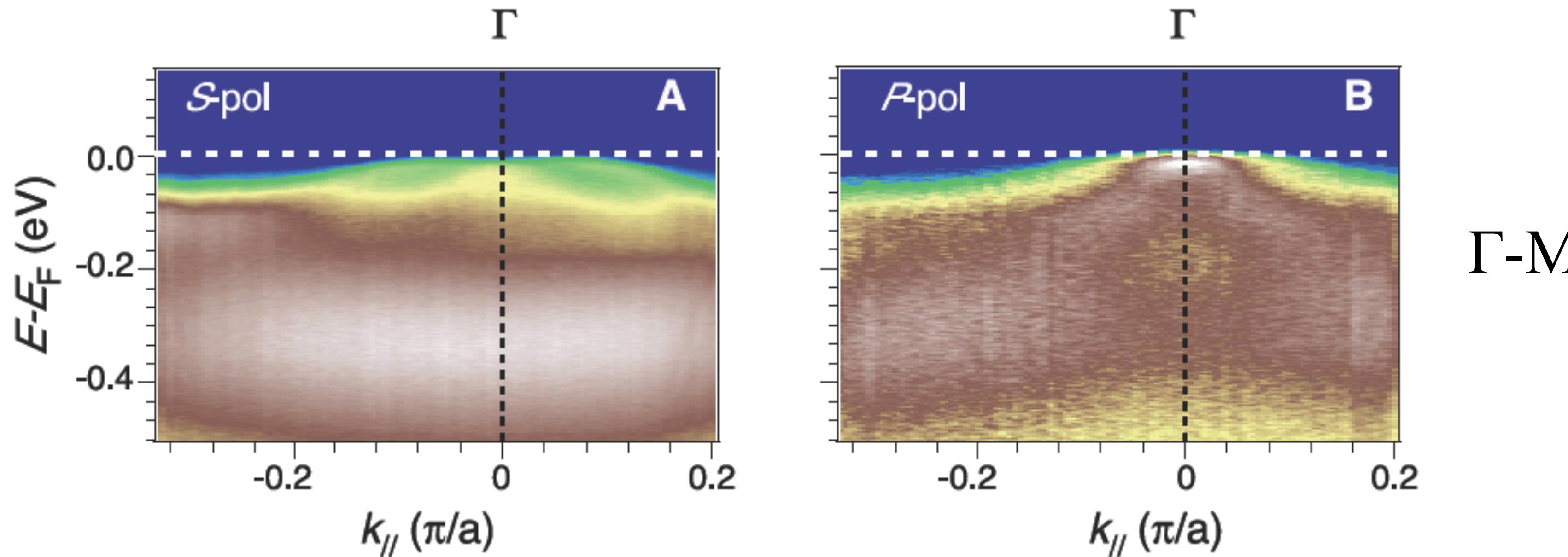
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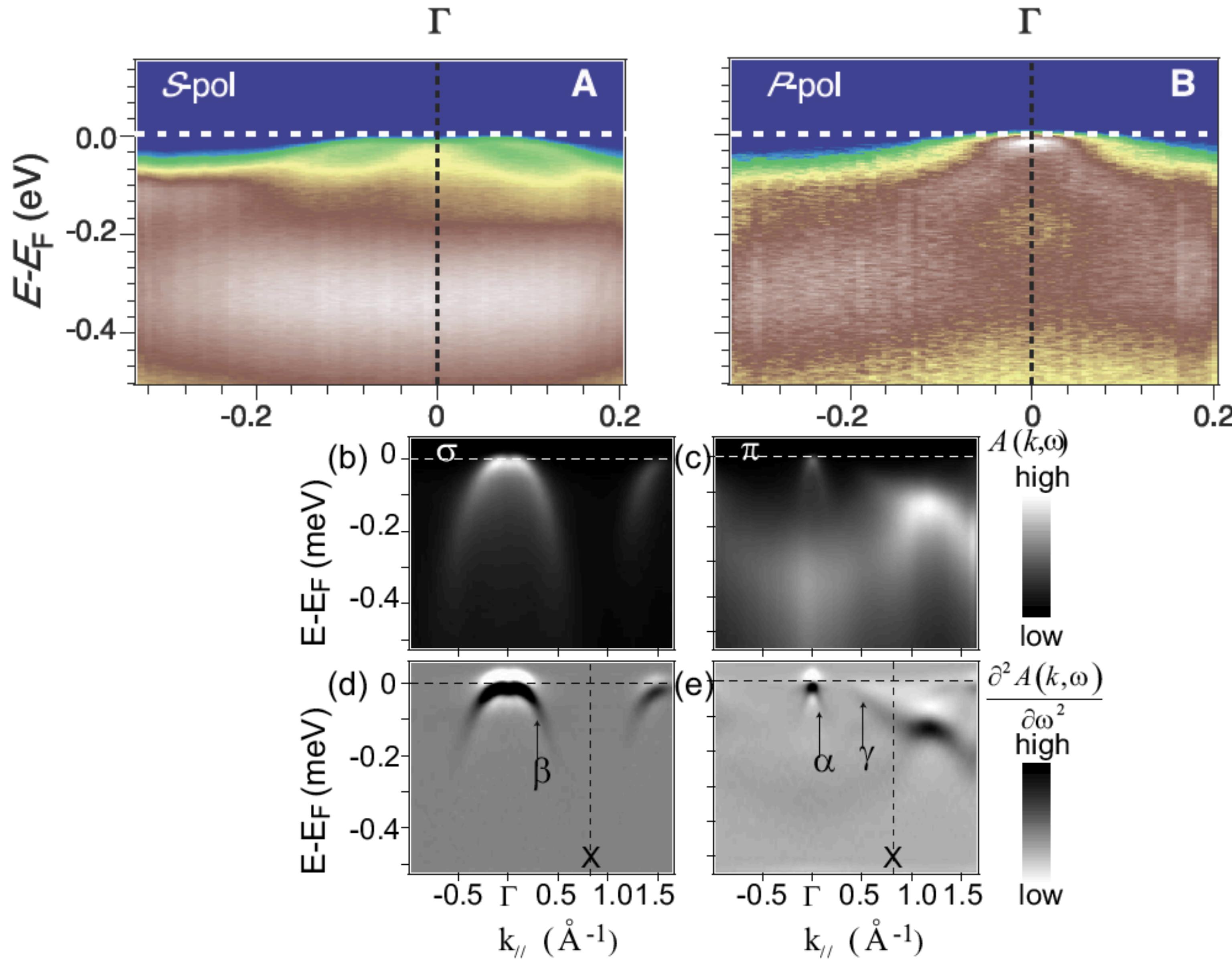
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A**B****C****D**

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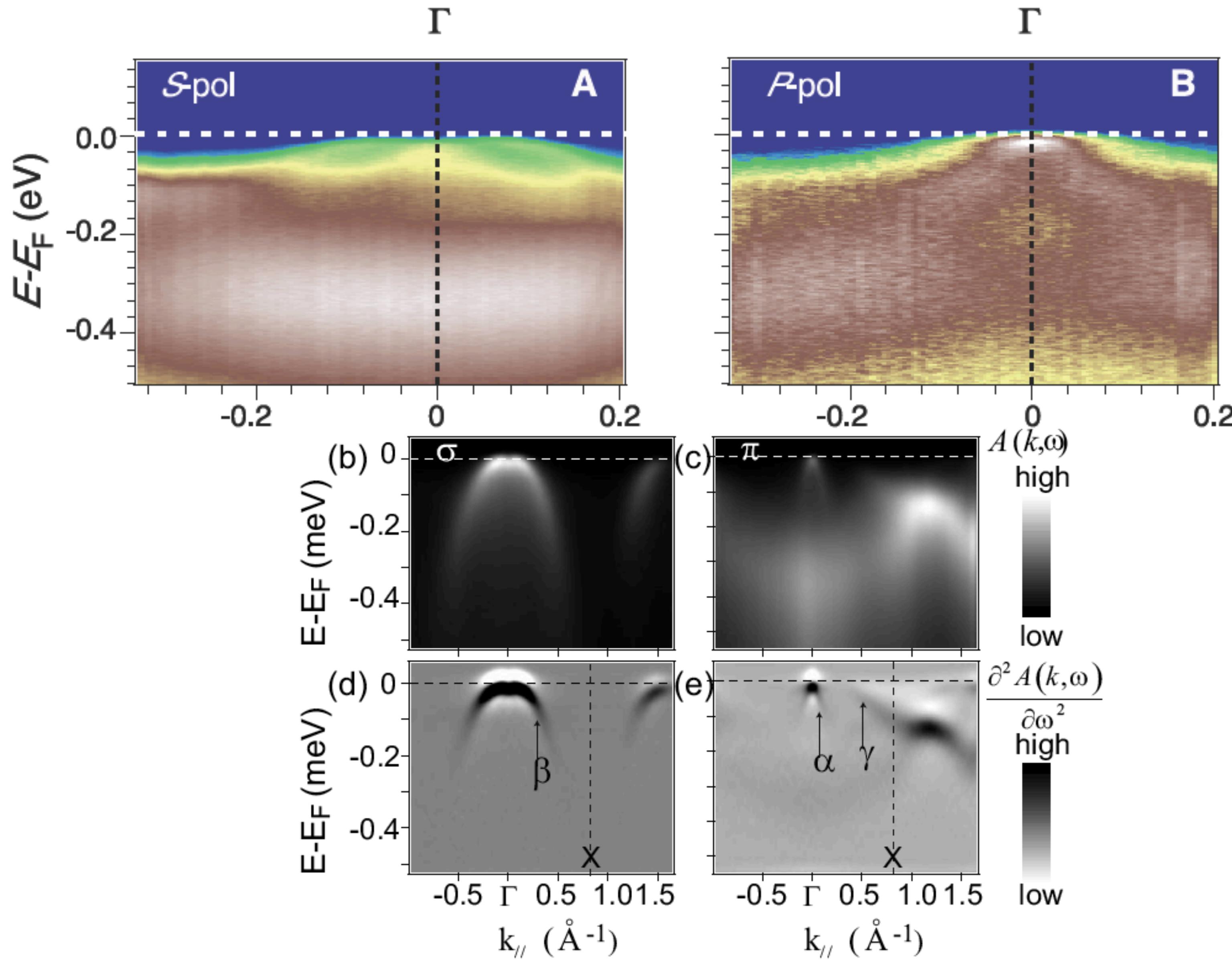
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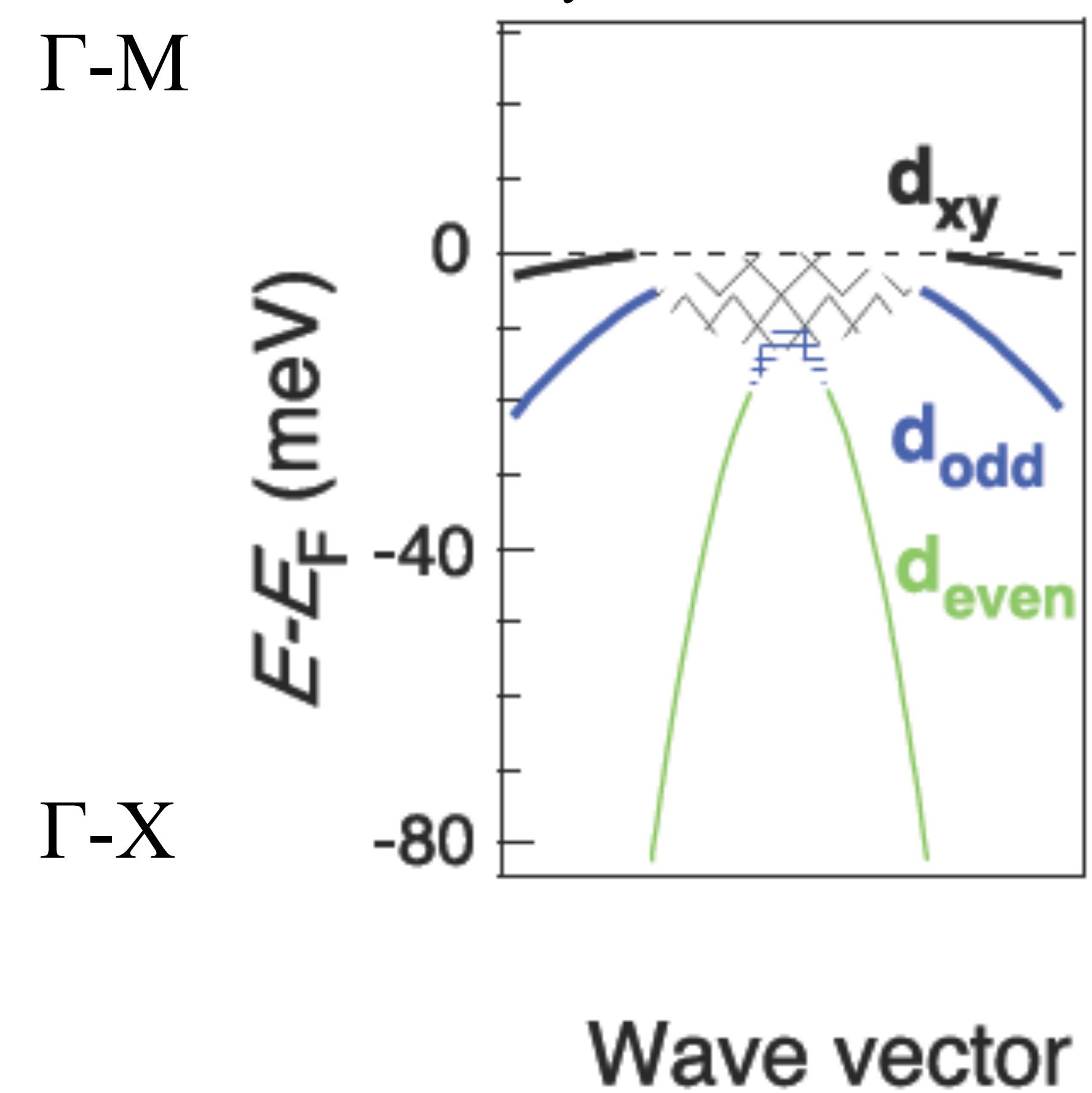
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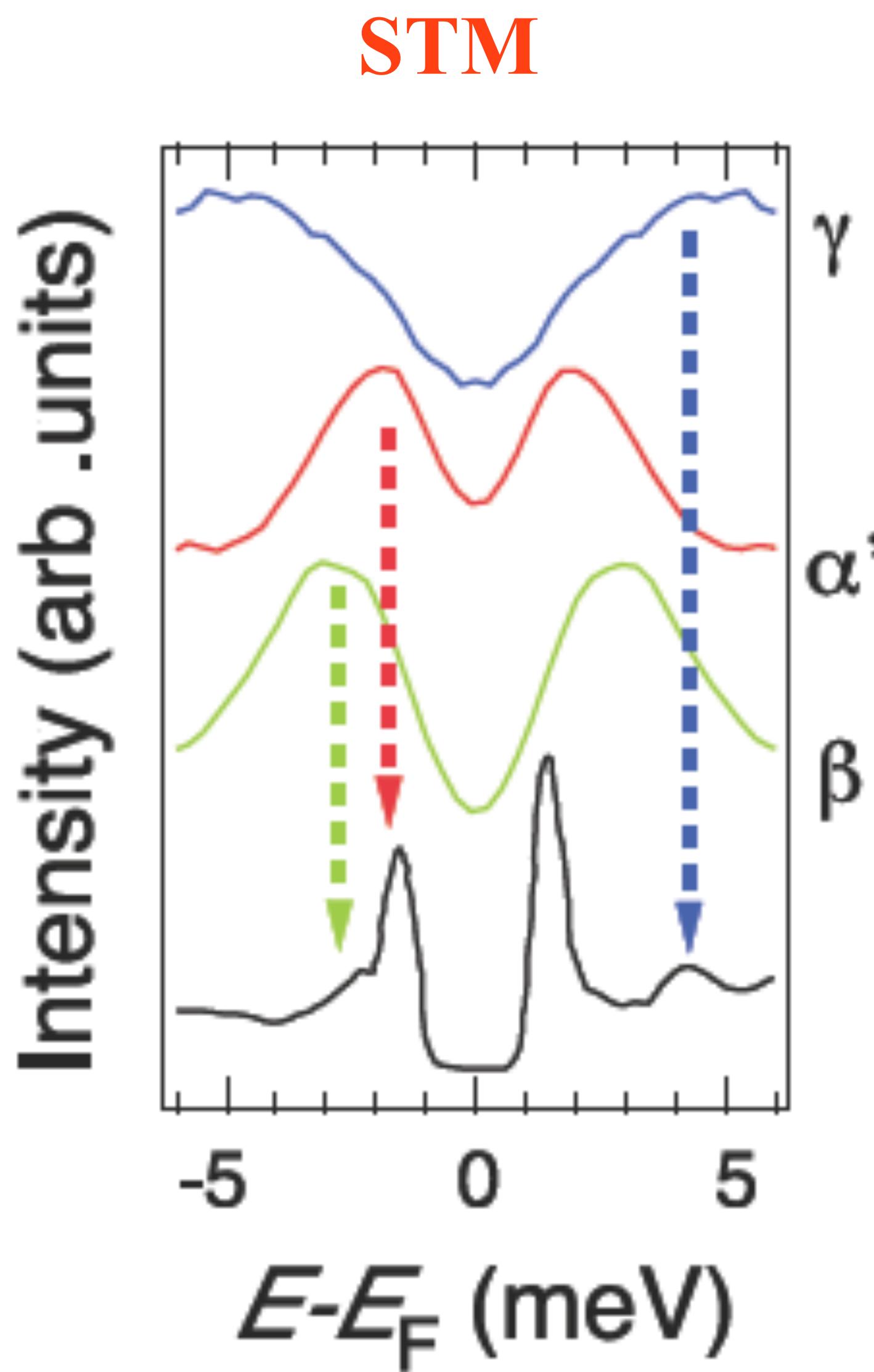
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$d_{\text{even/odd}}$: even/odd combination of the d_{xz} and d_{yz} orbitals

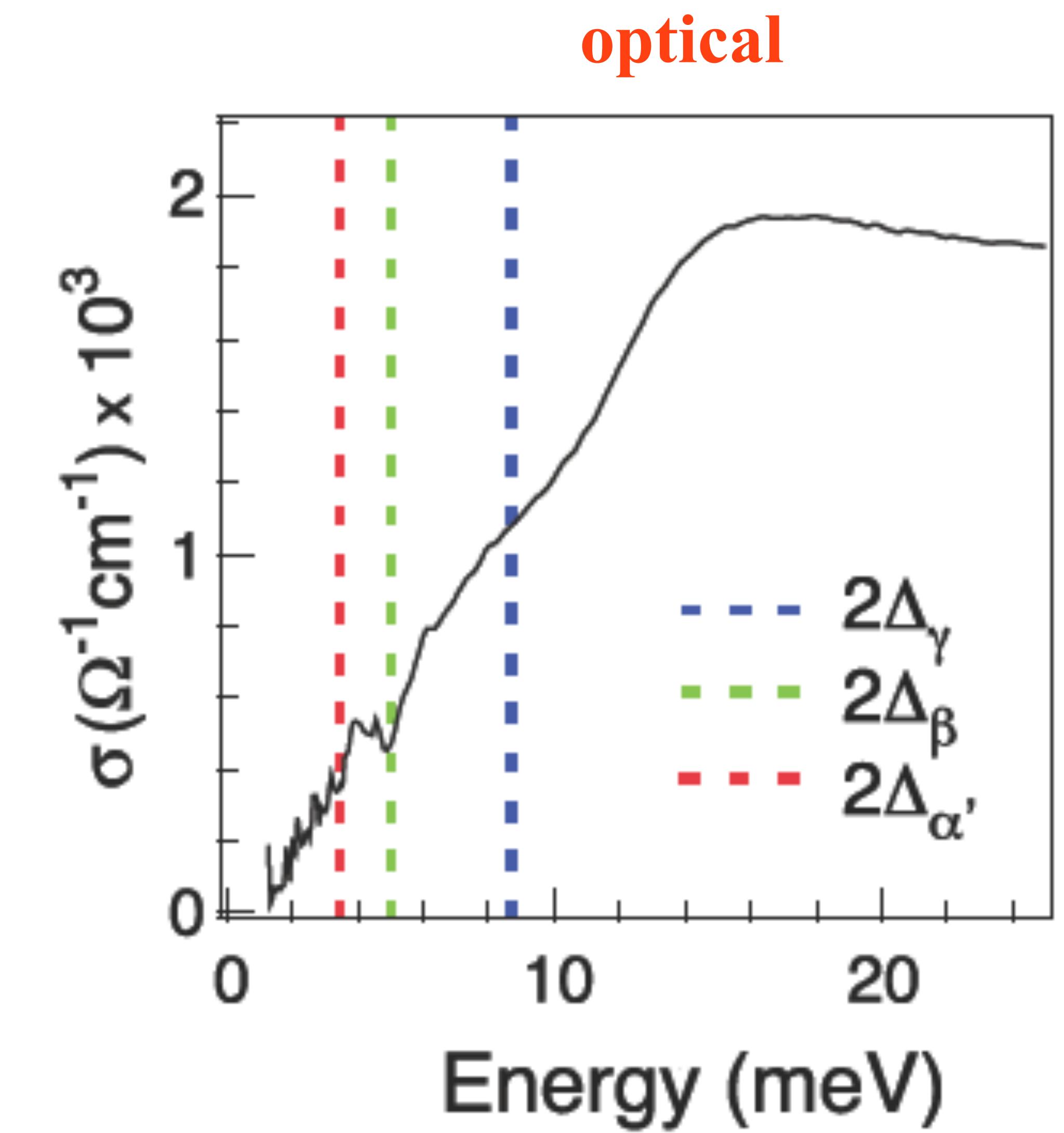


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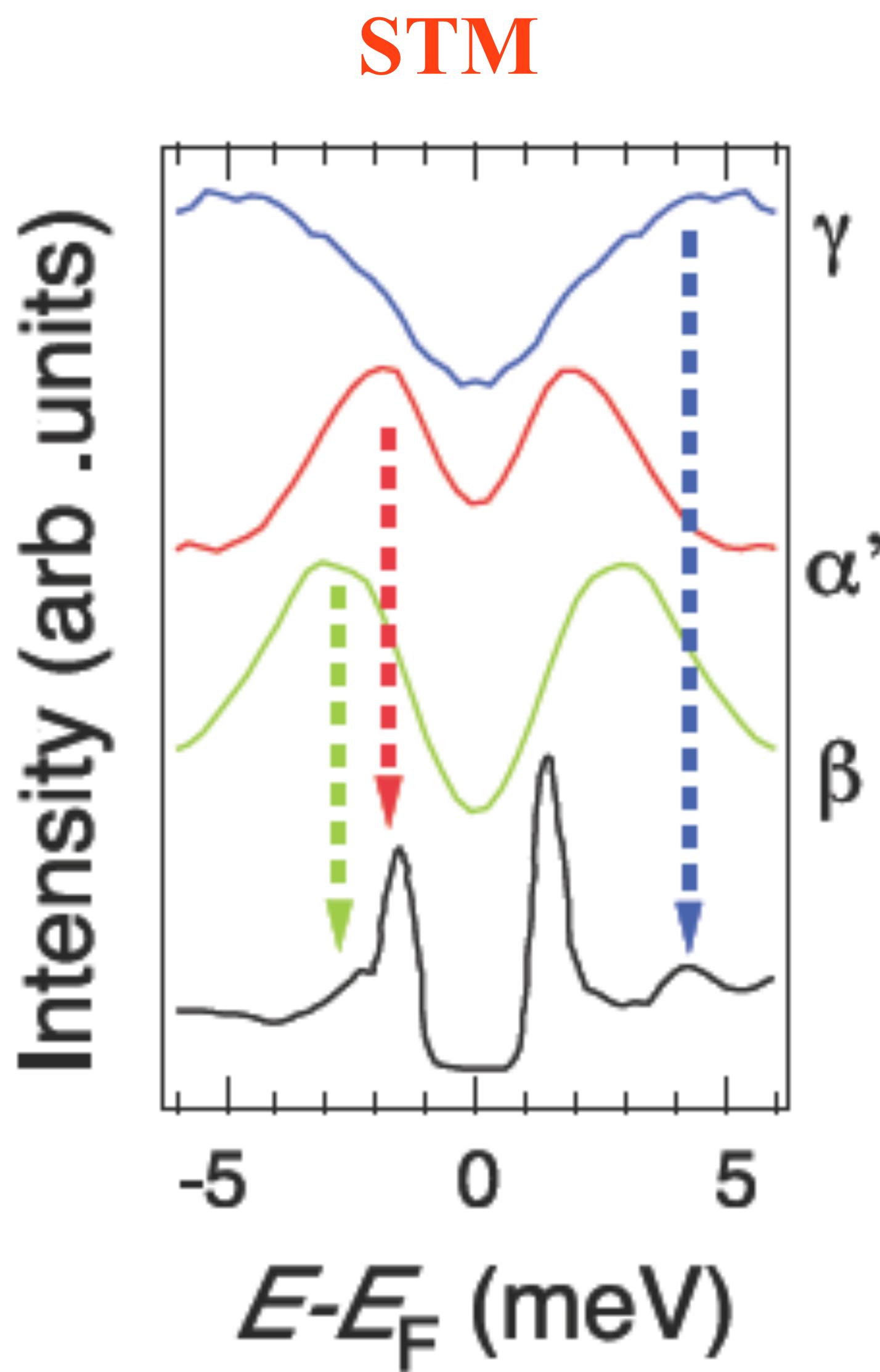


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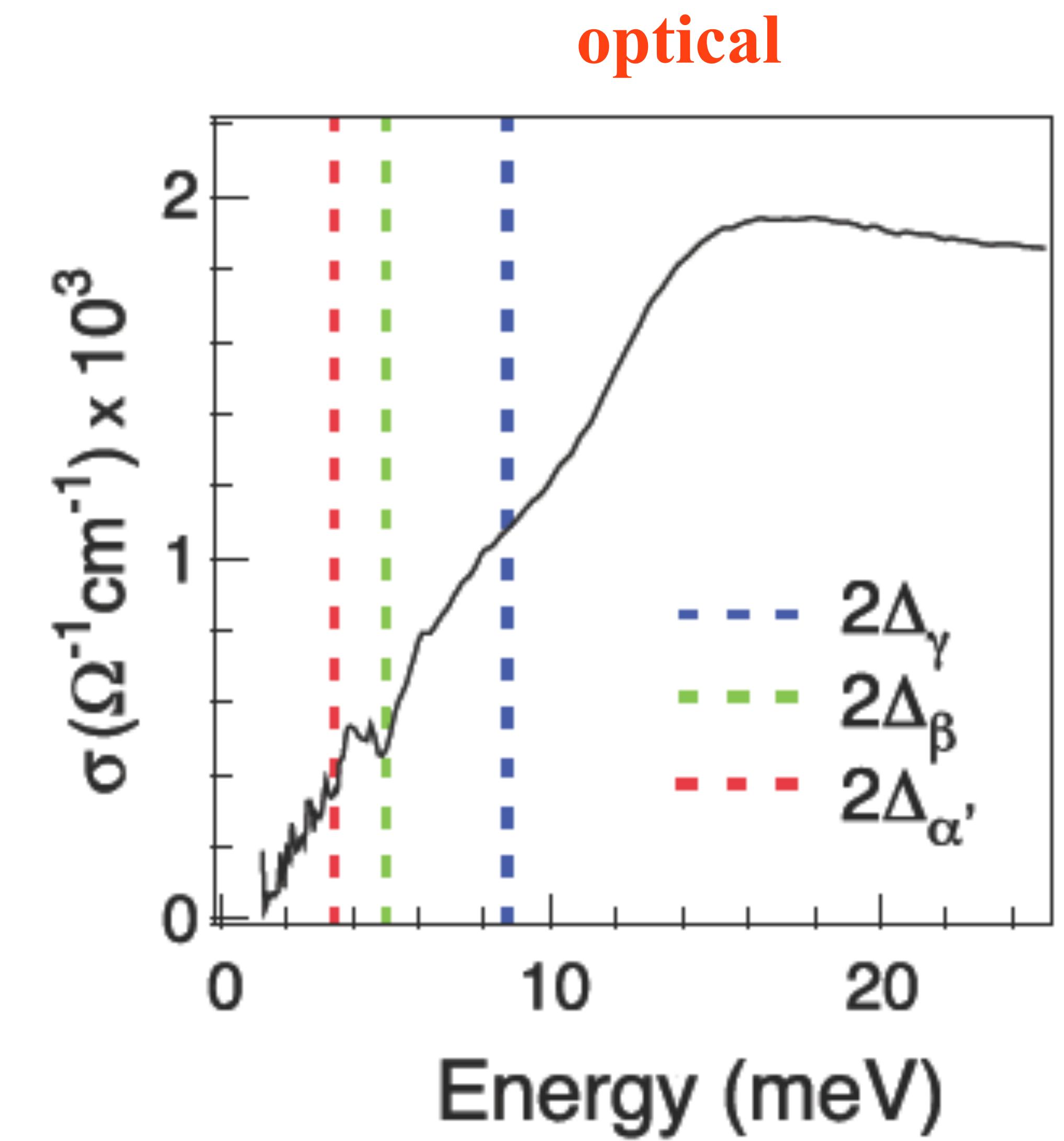


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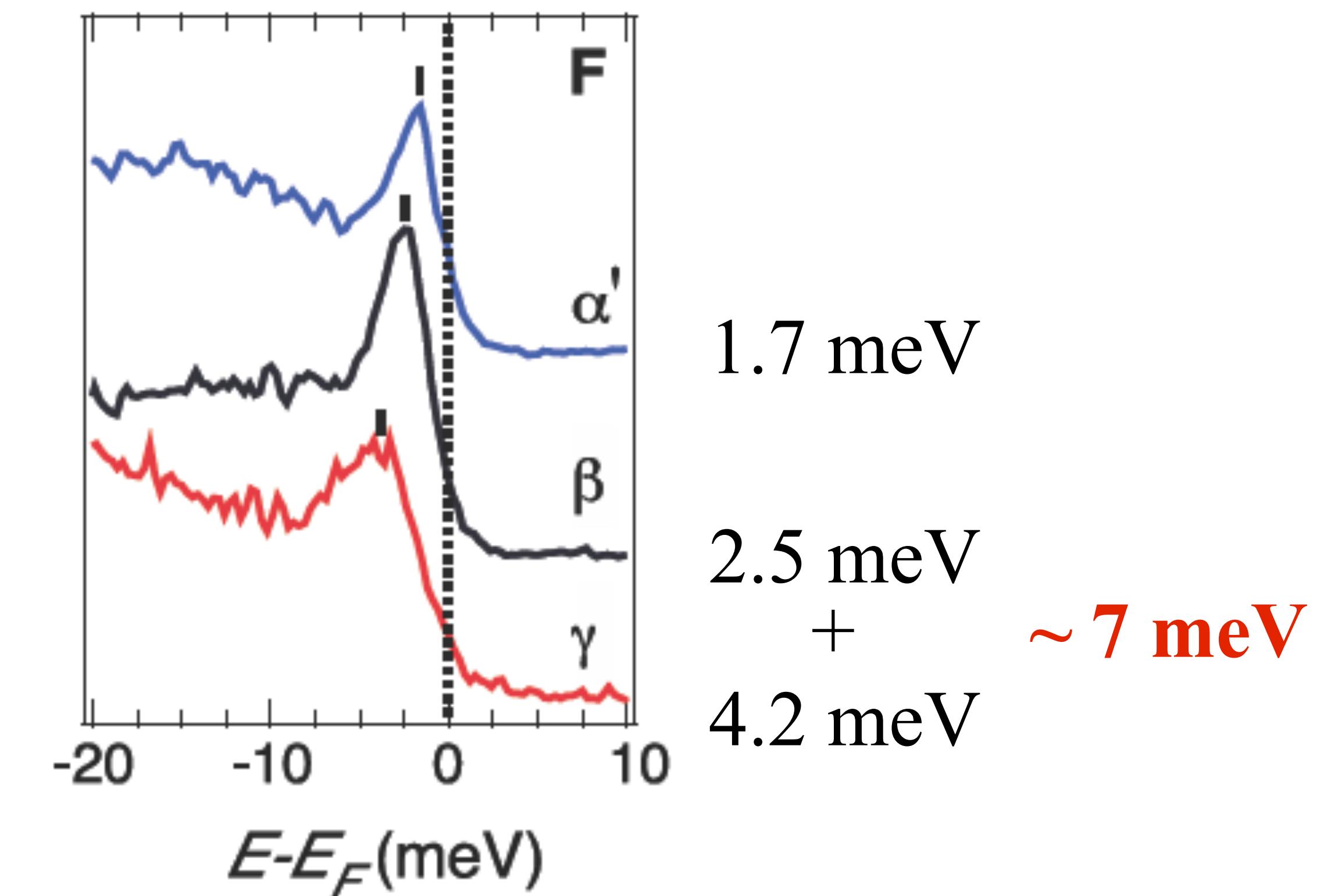
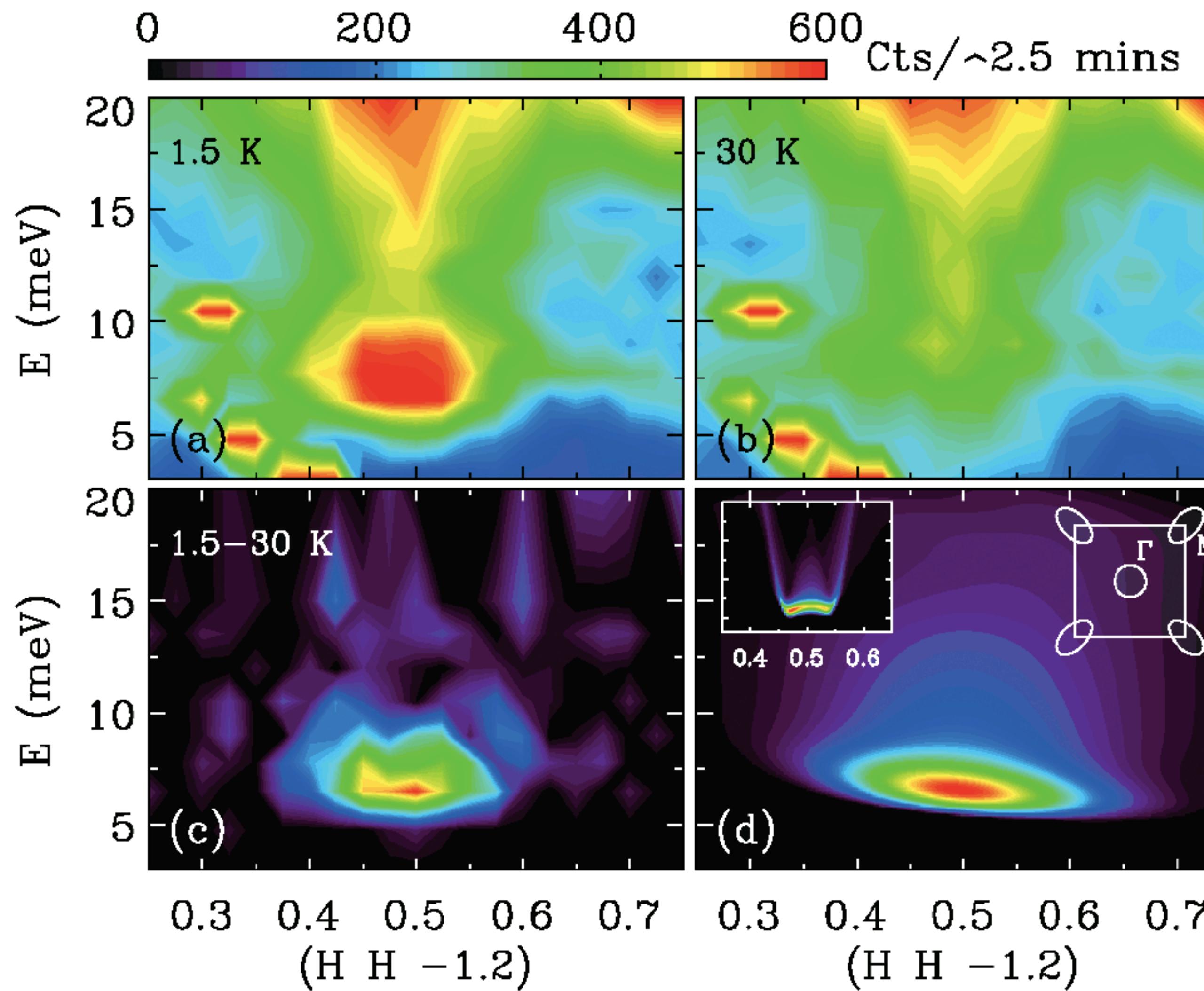
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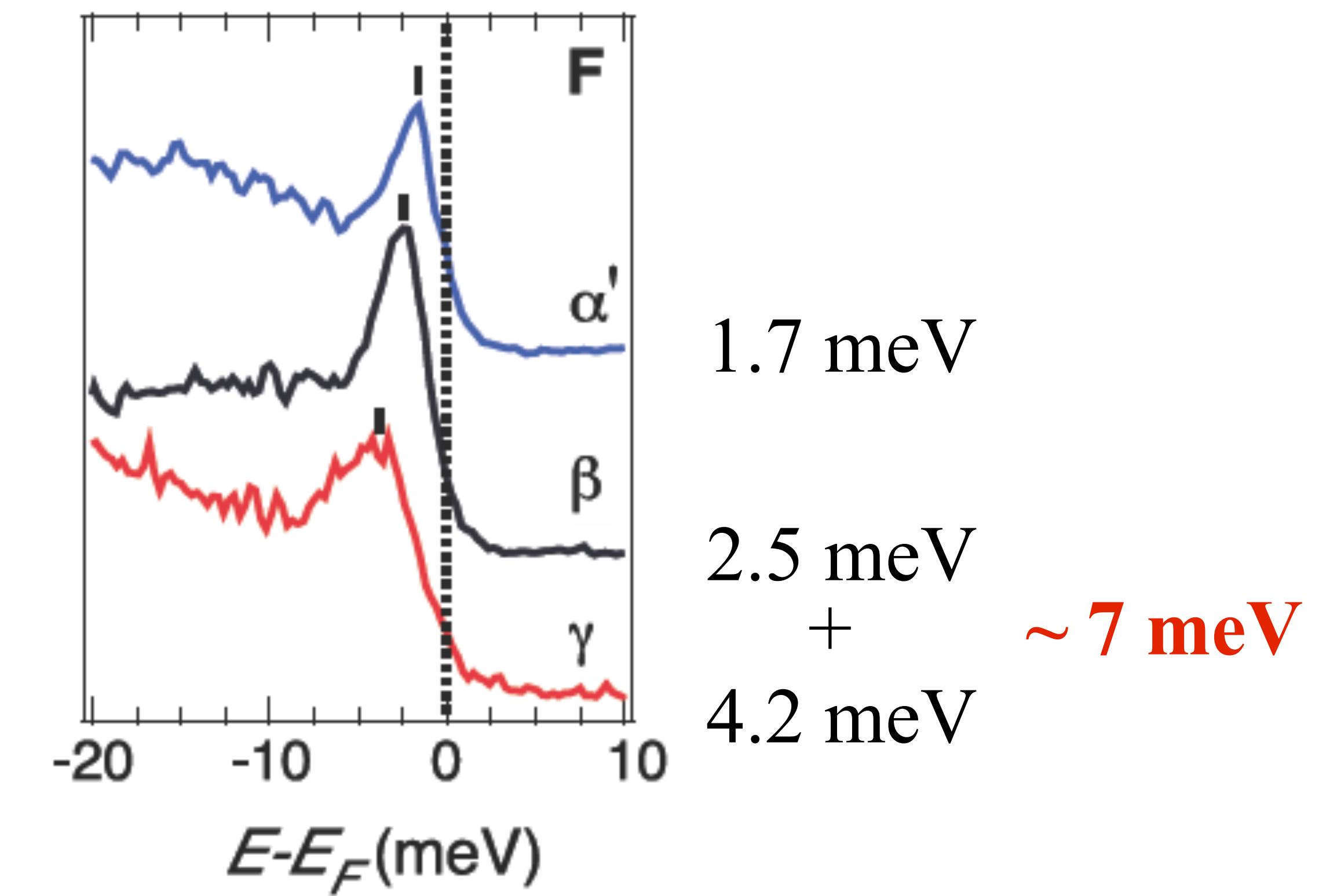
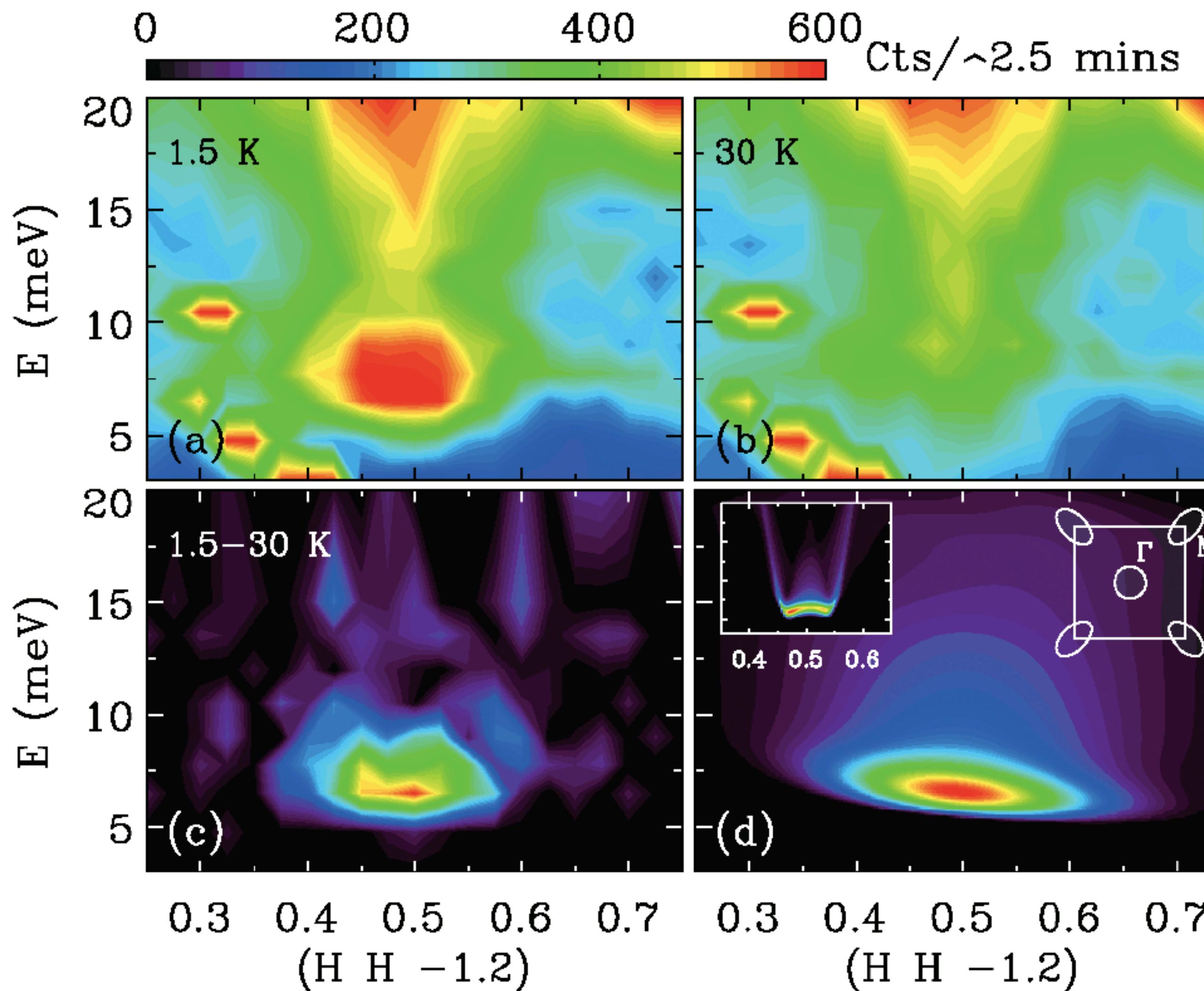
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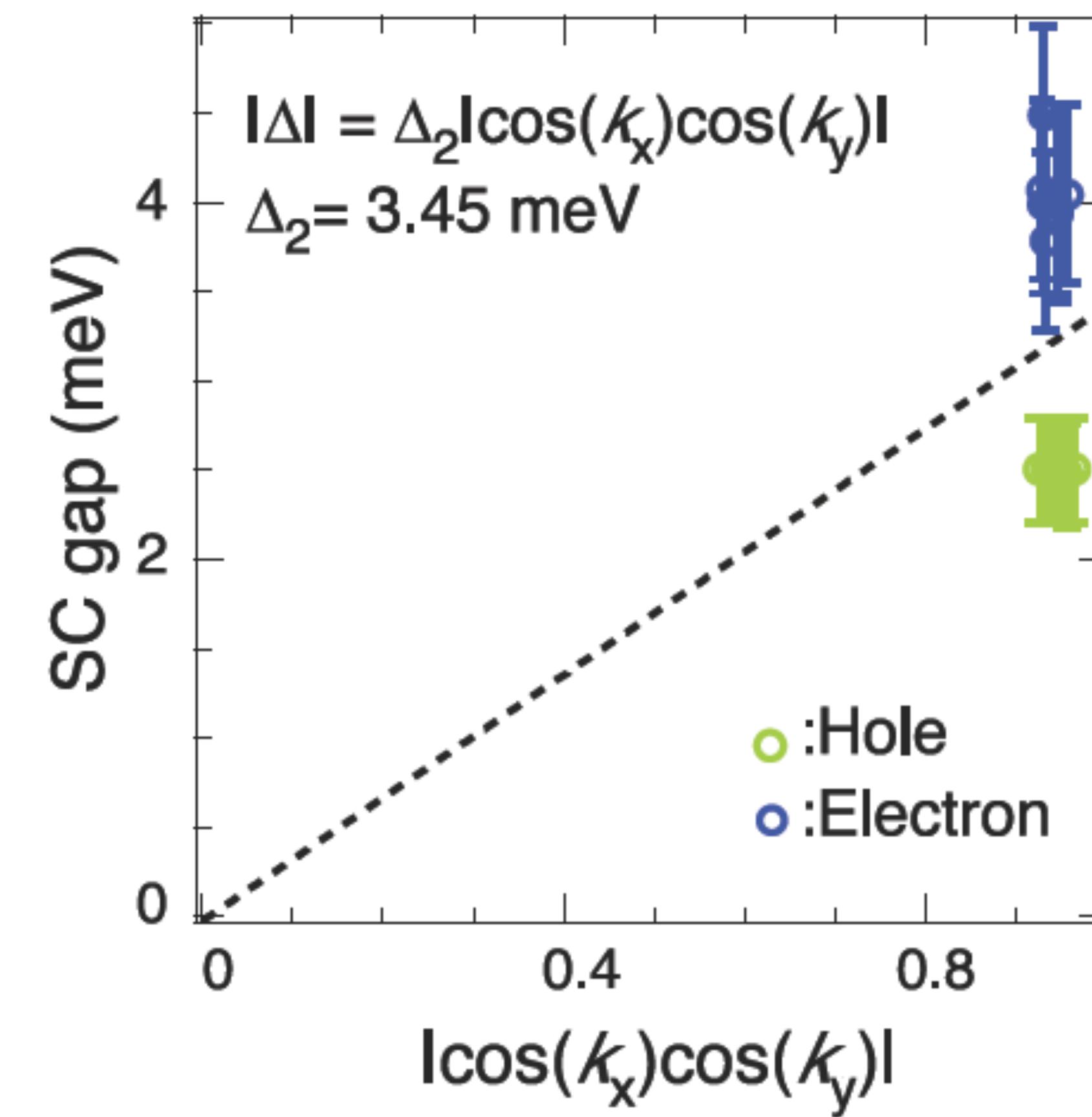
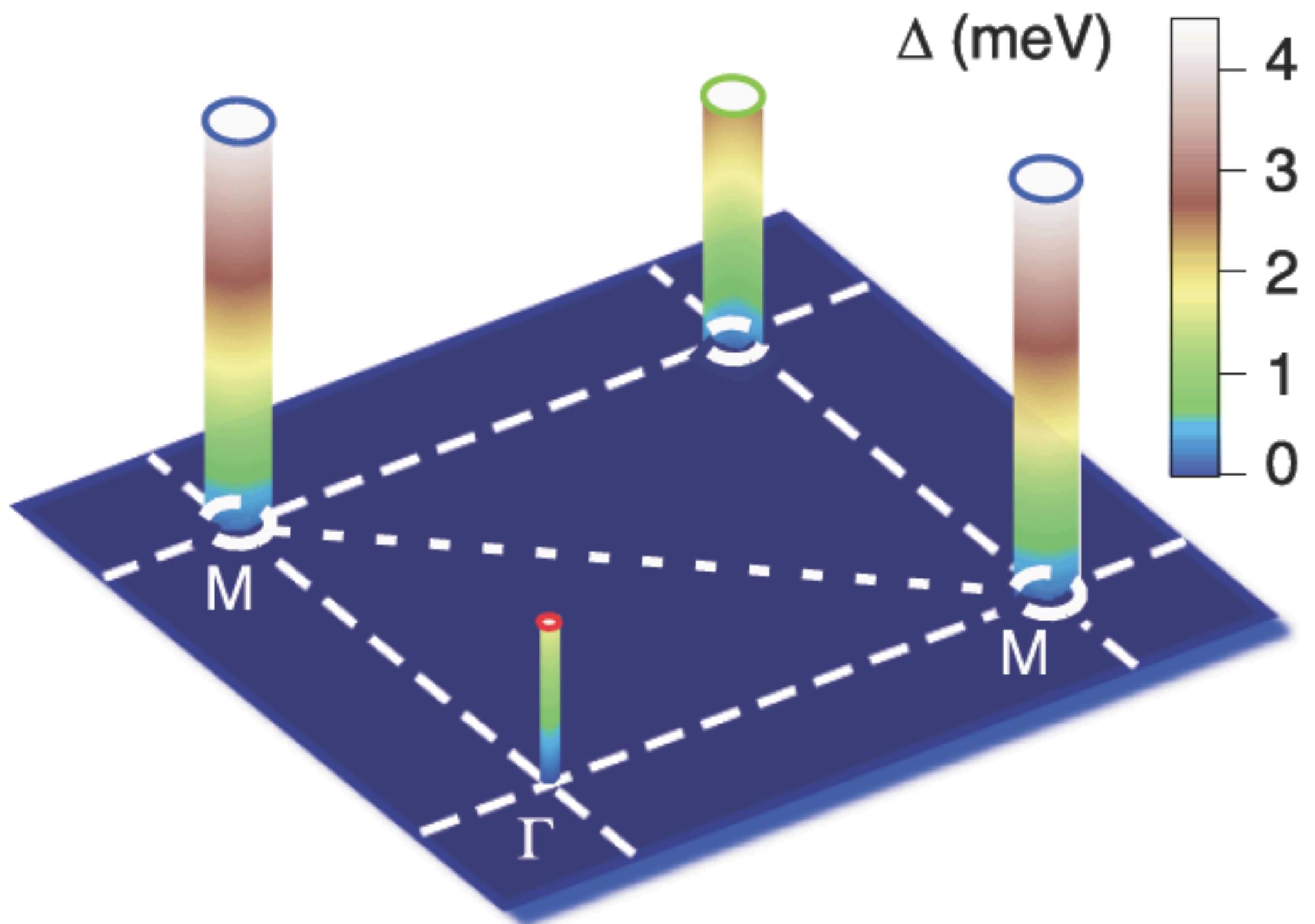
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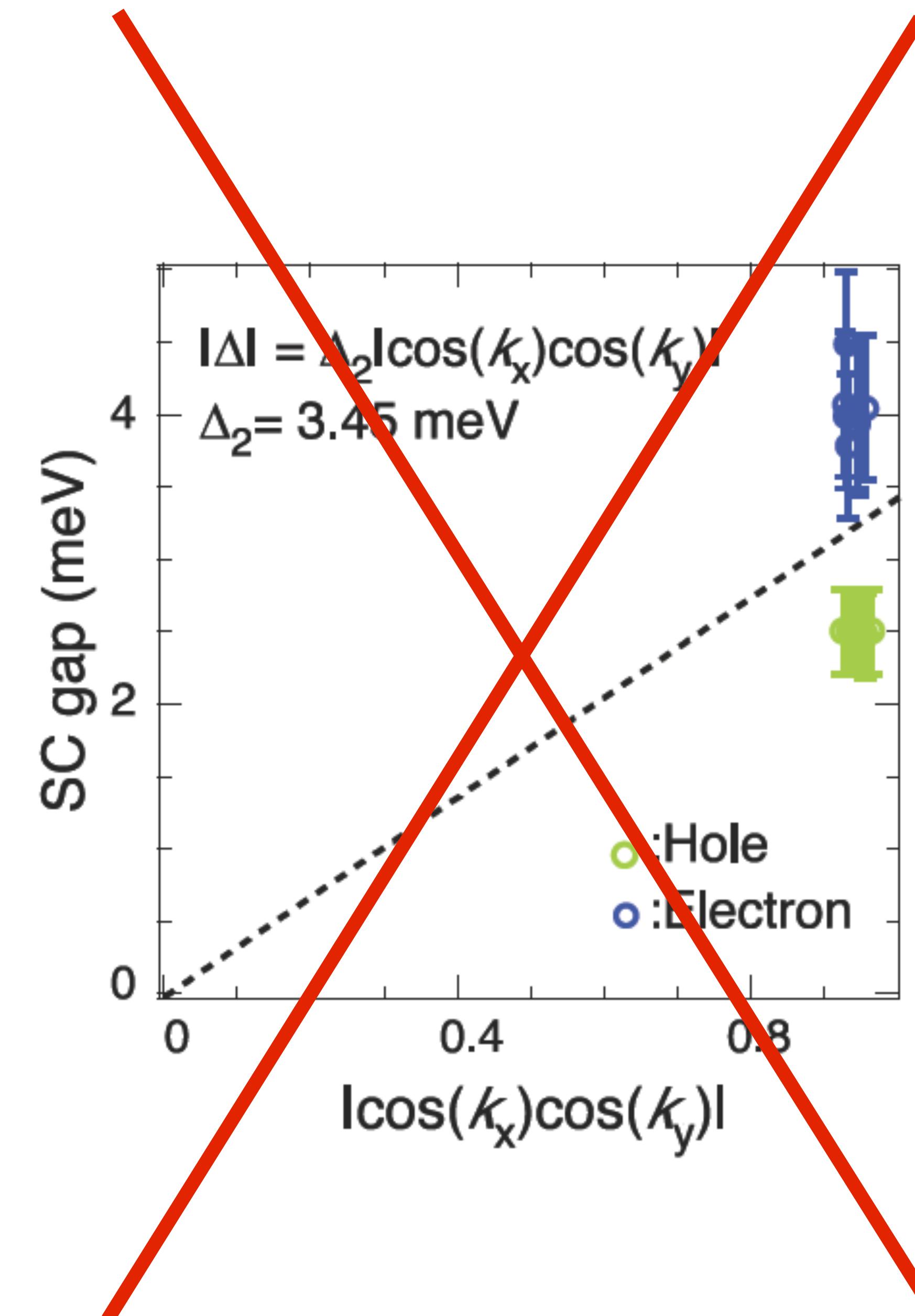
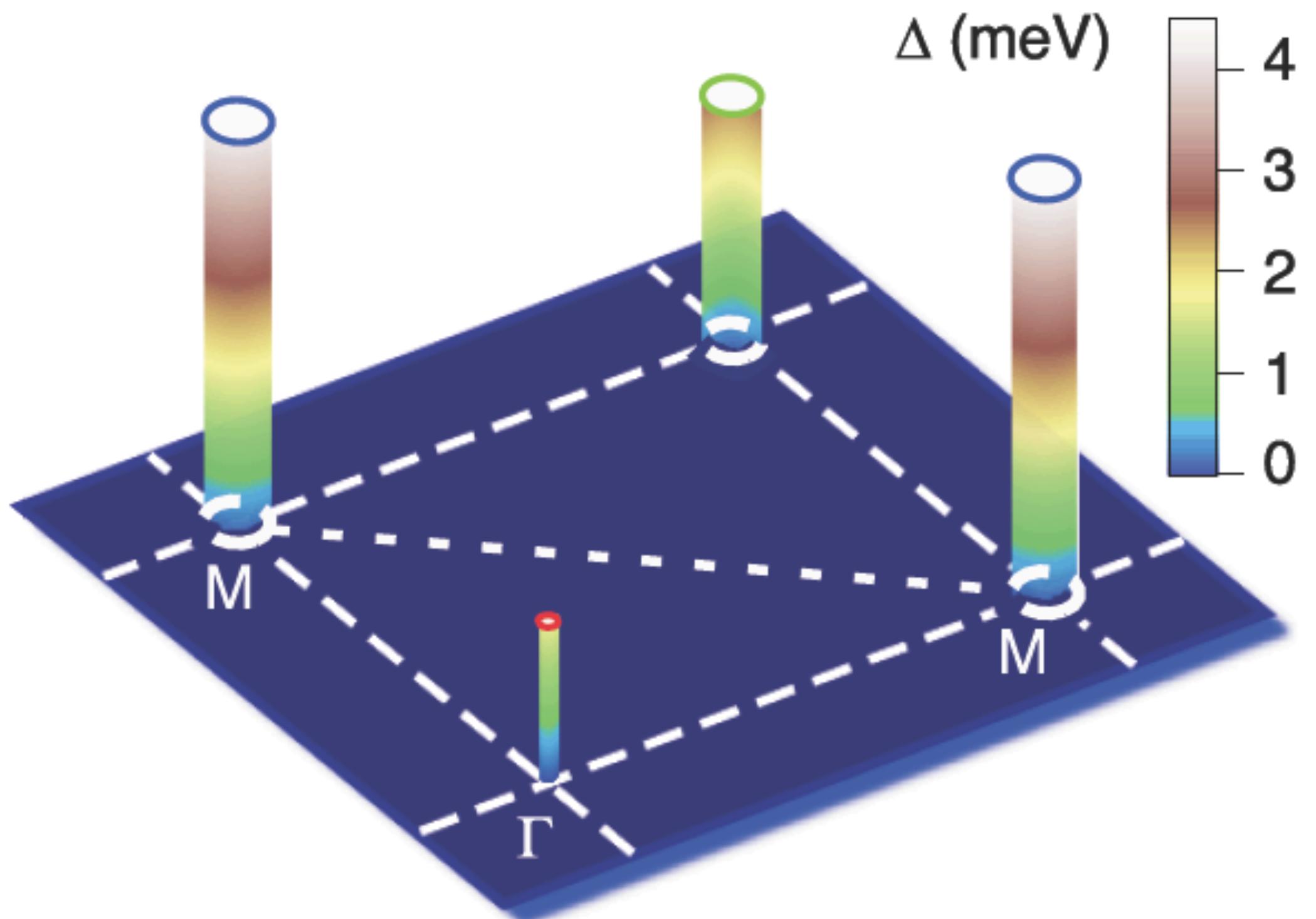


scattering between the β
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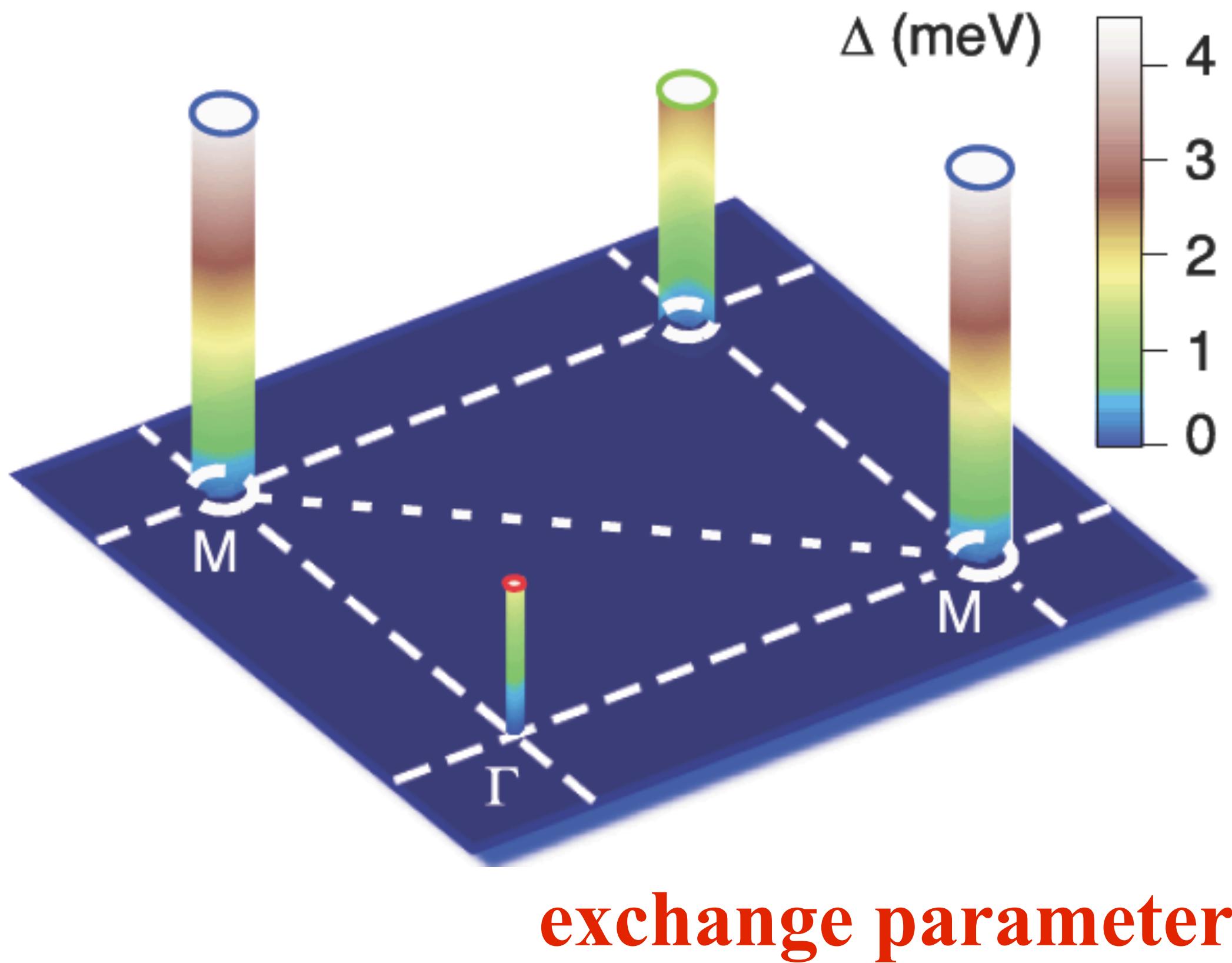
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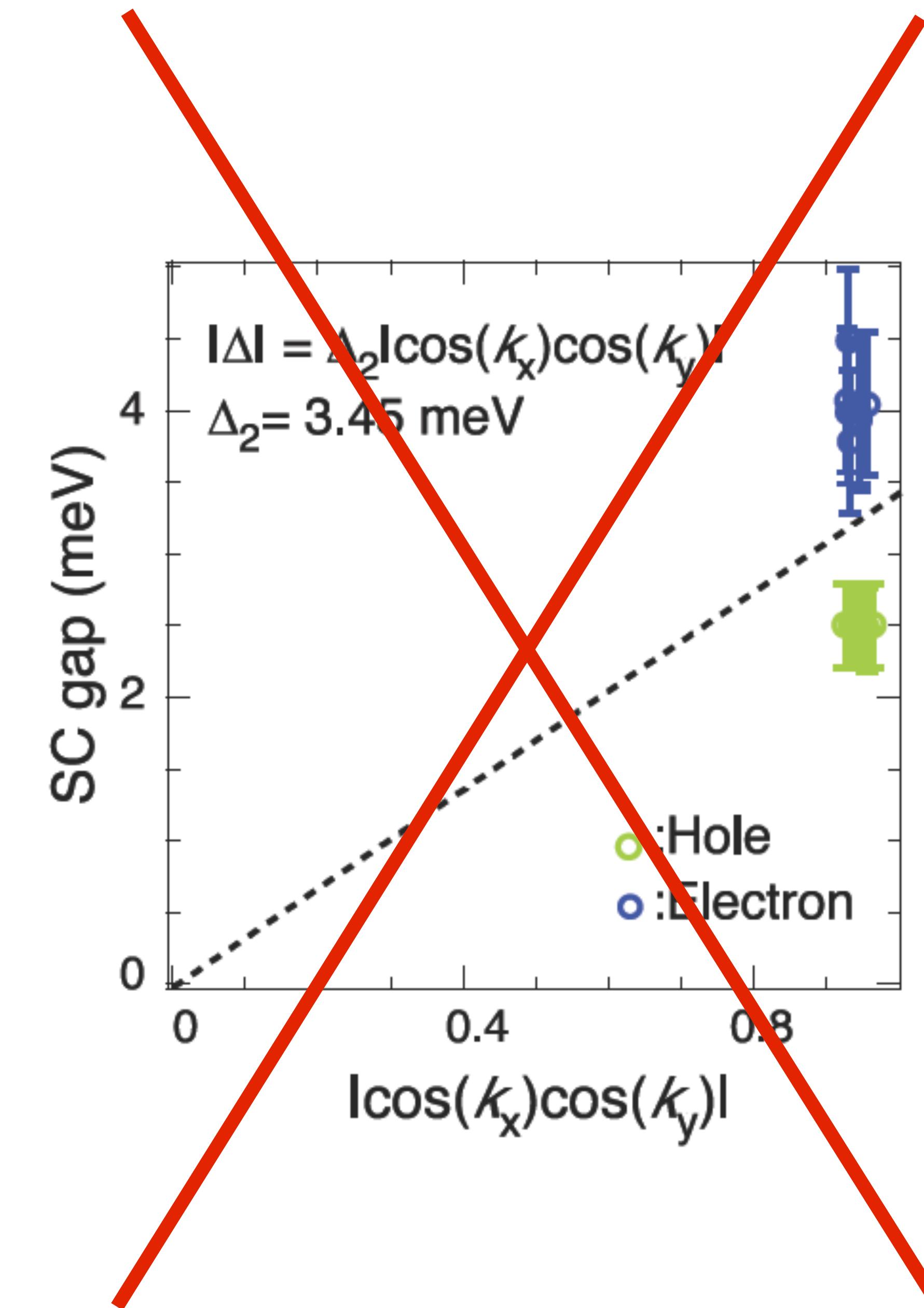
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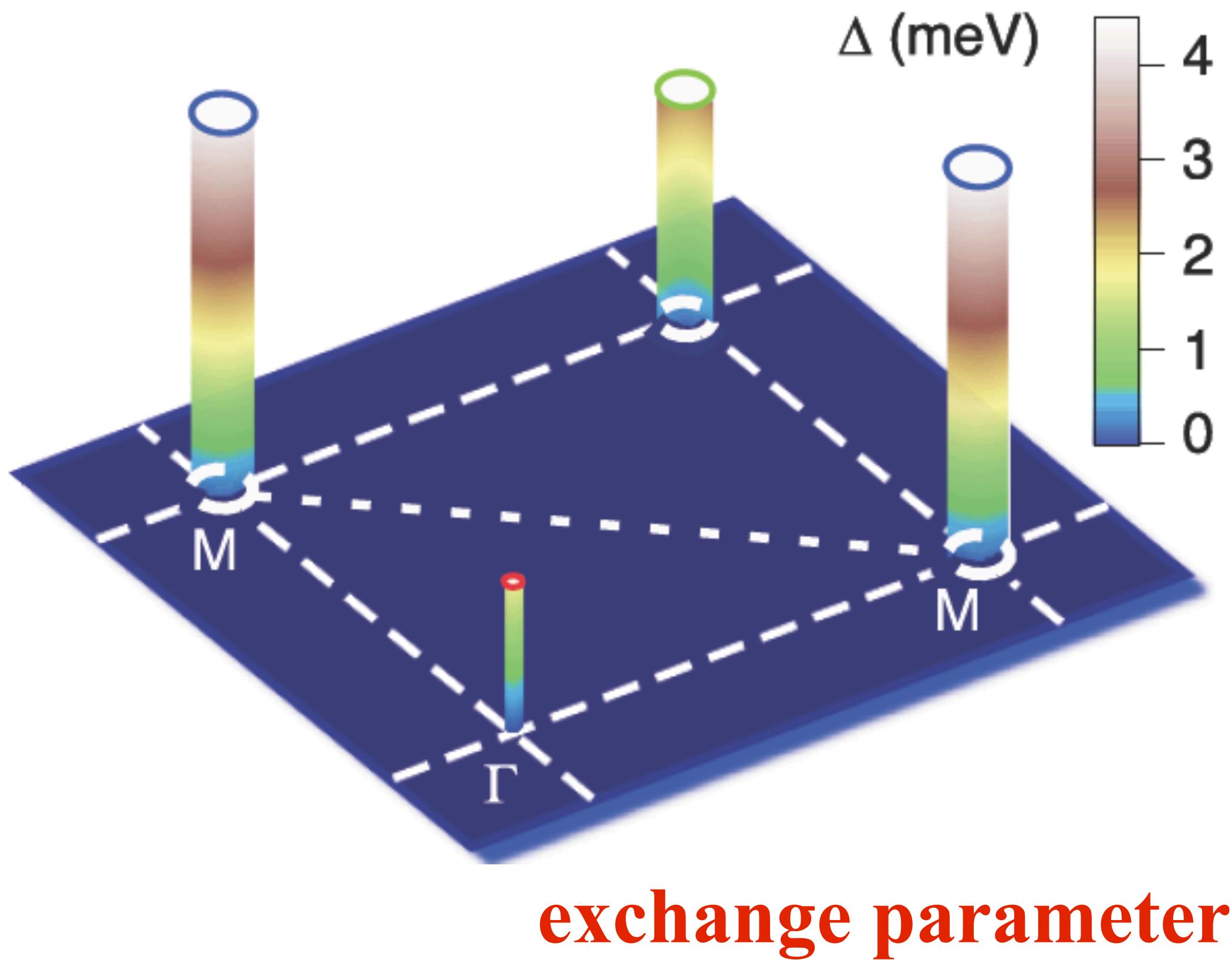
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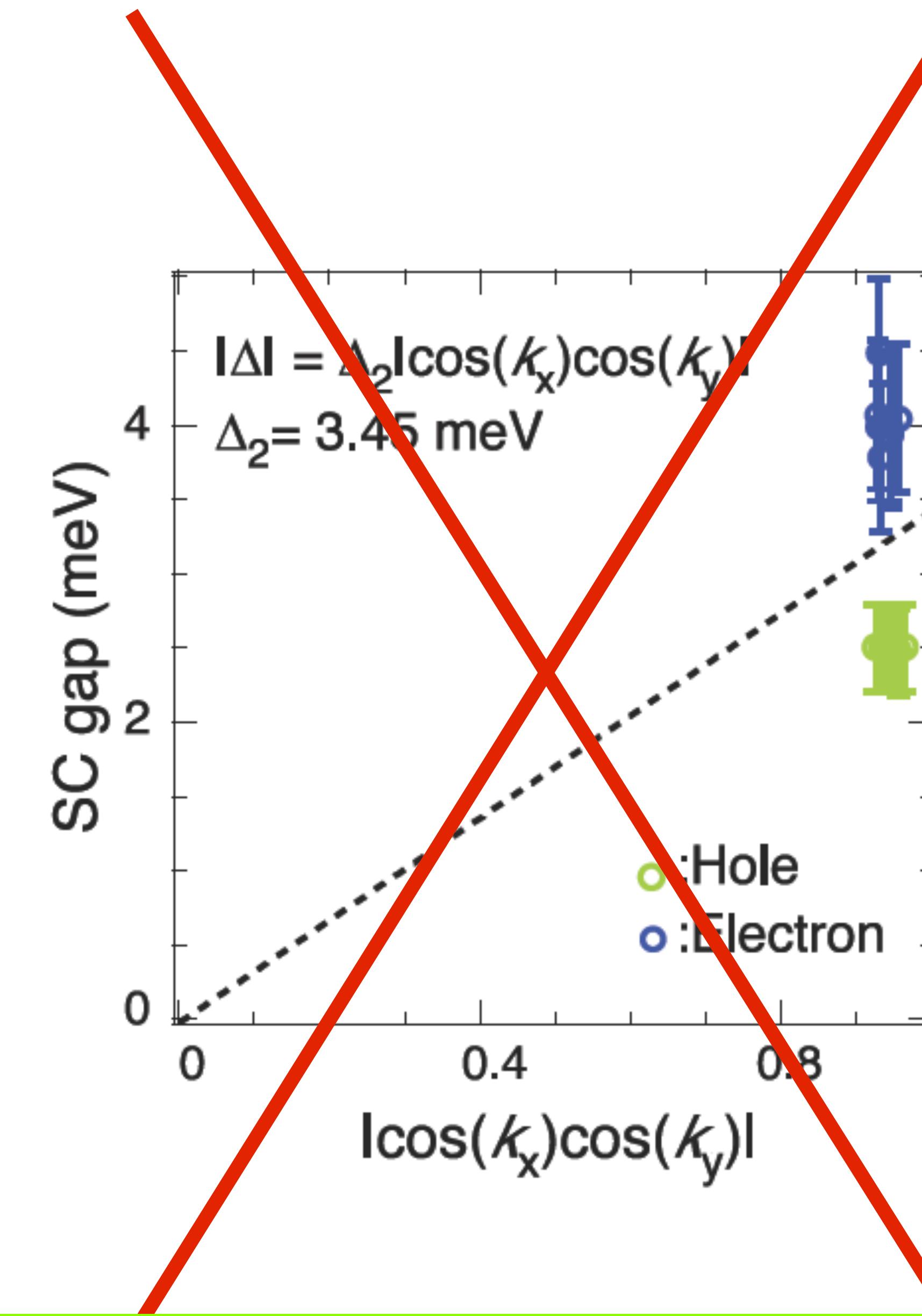
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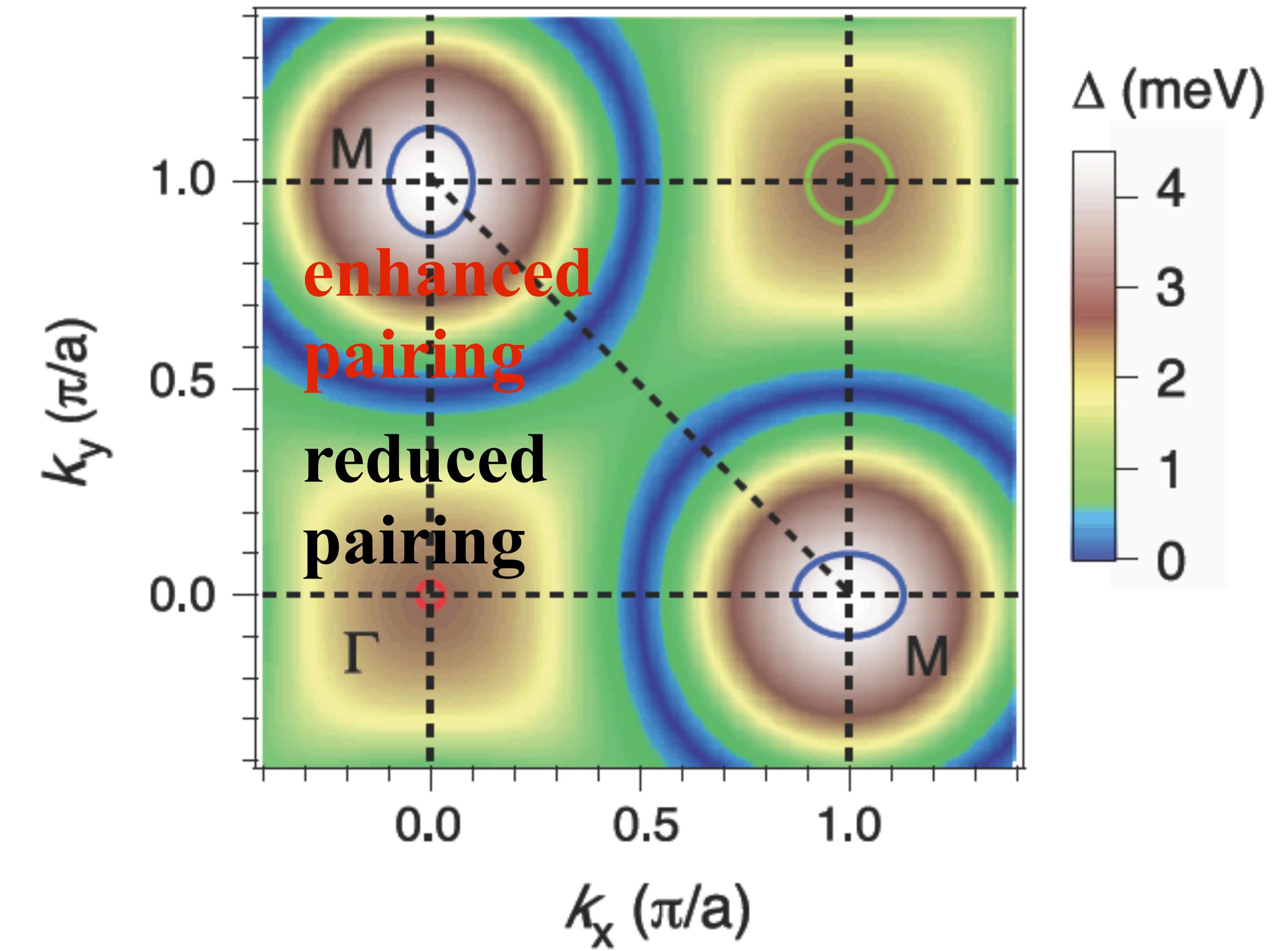
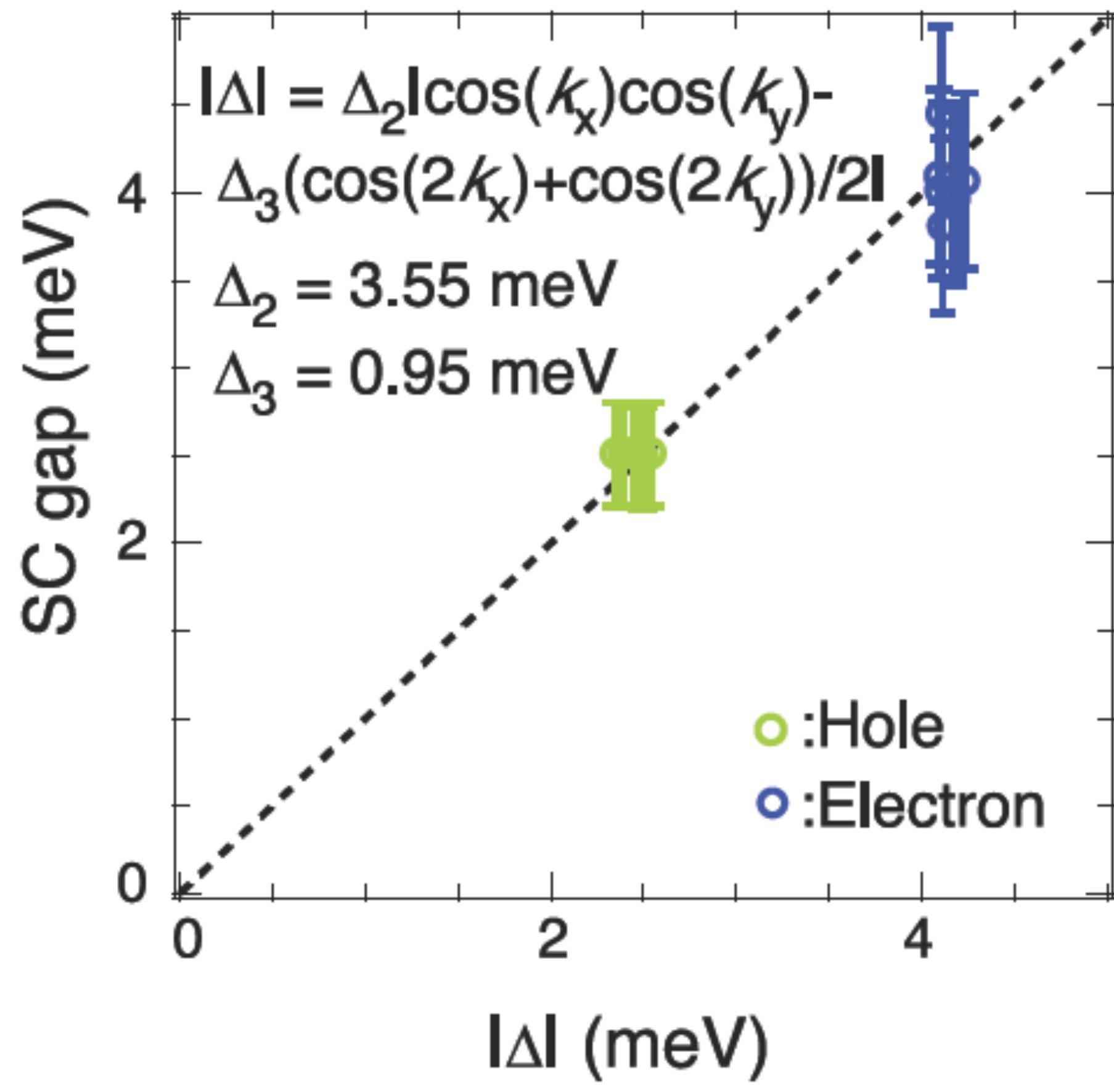


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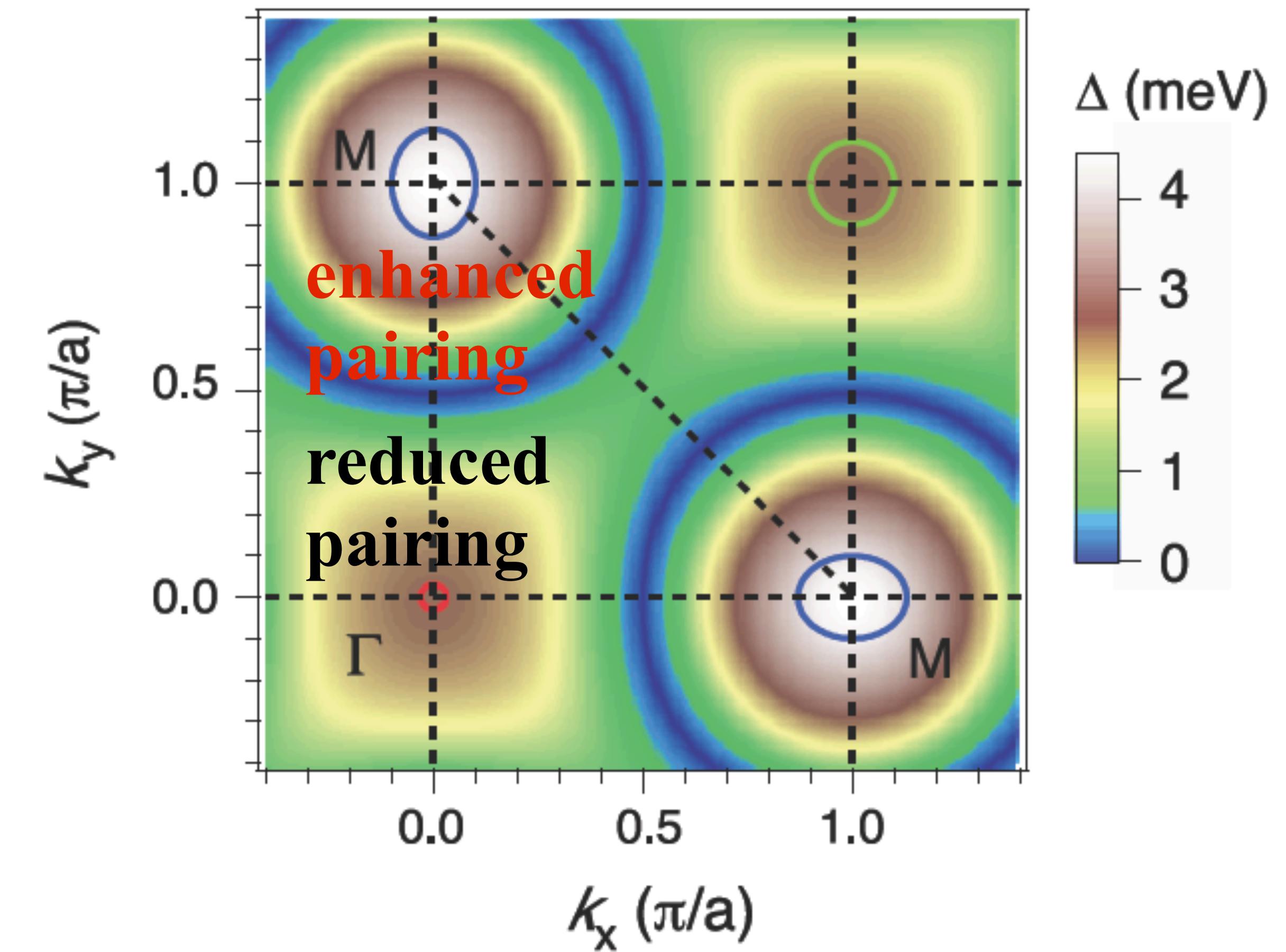
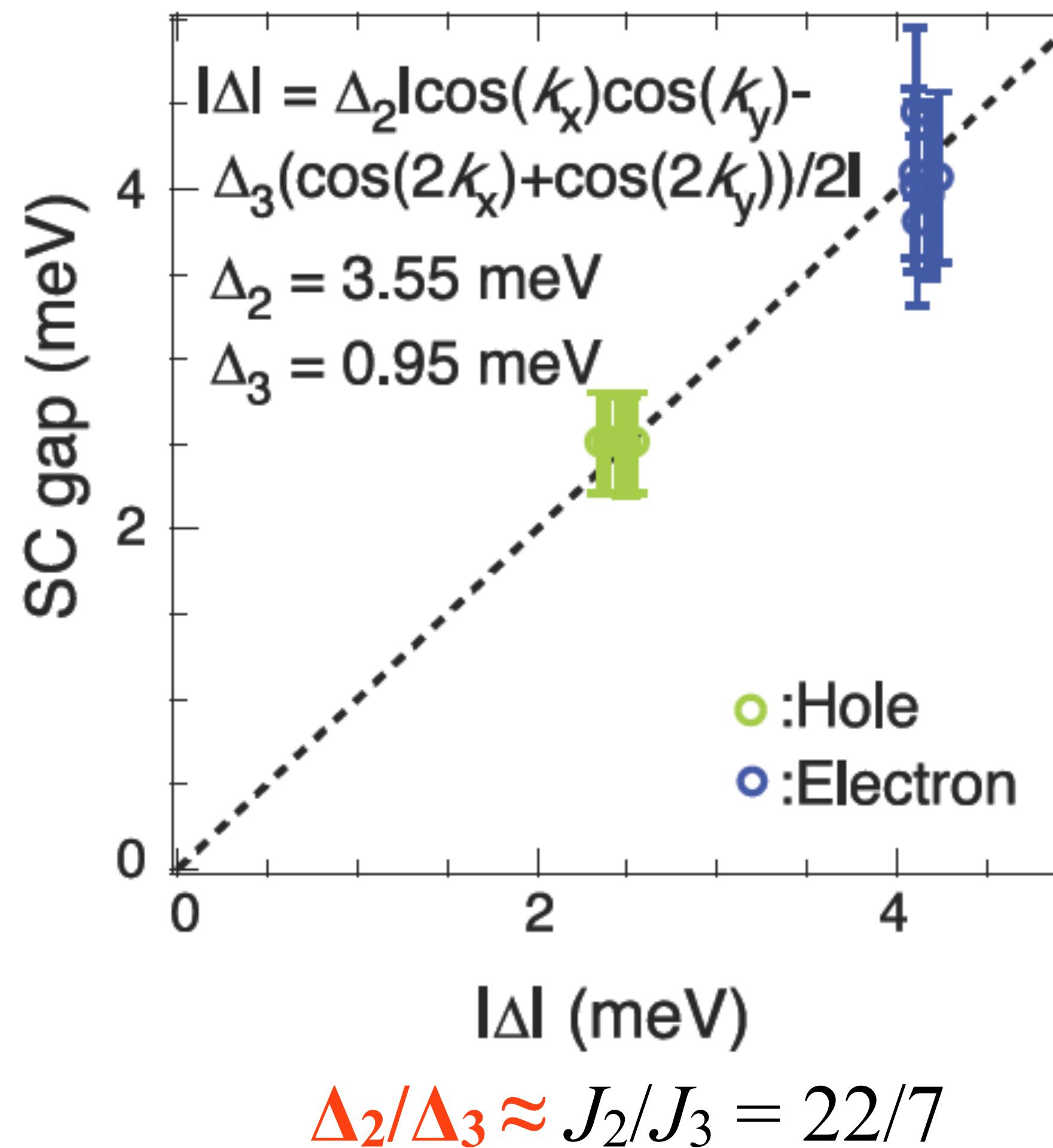
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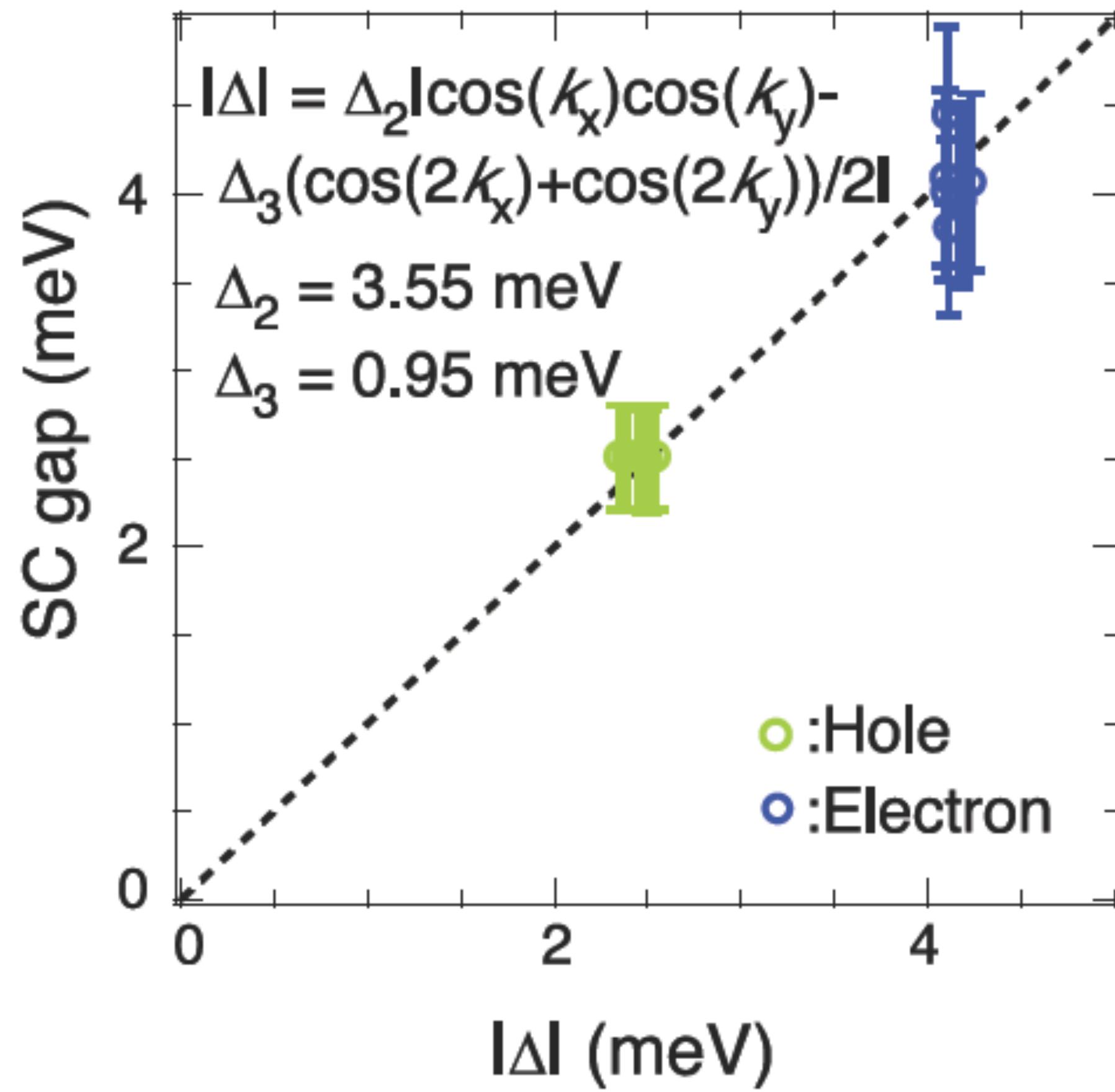
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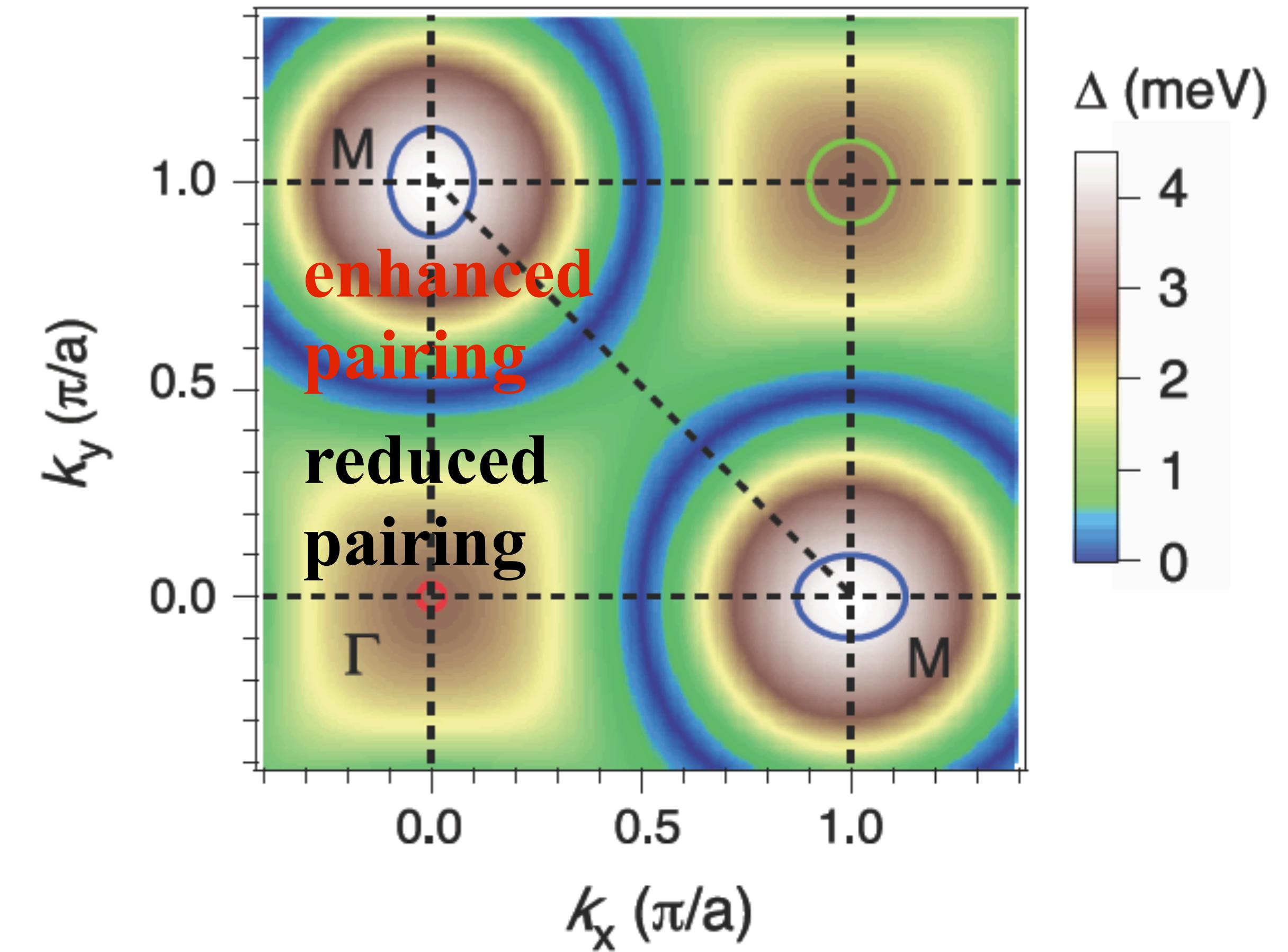


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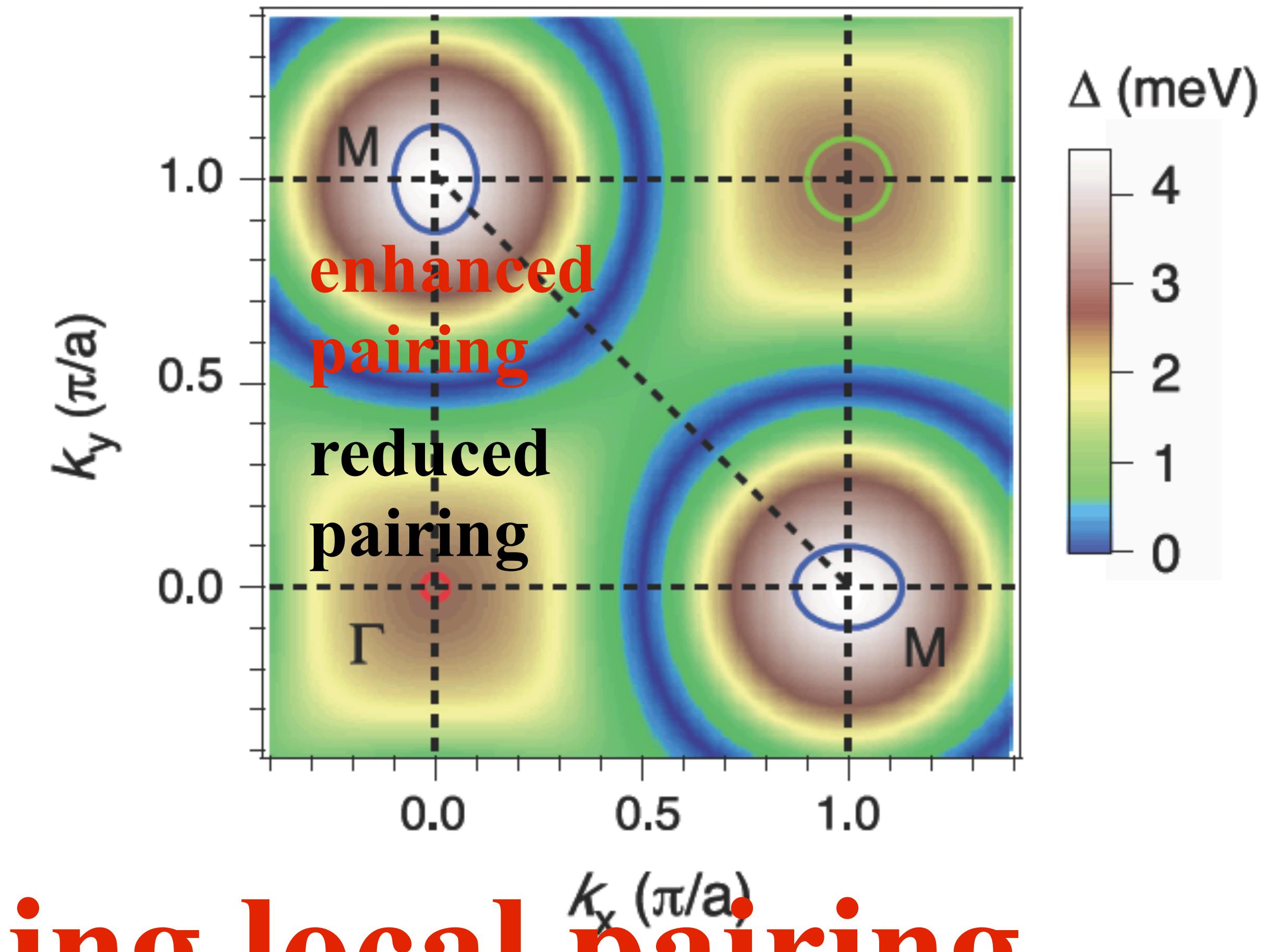
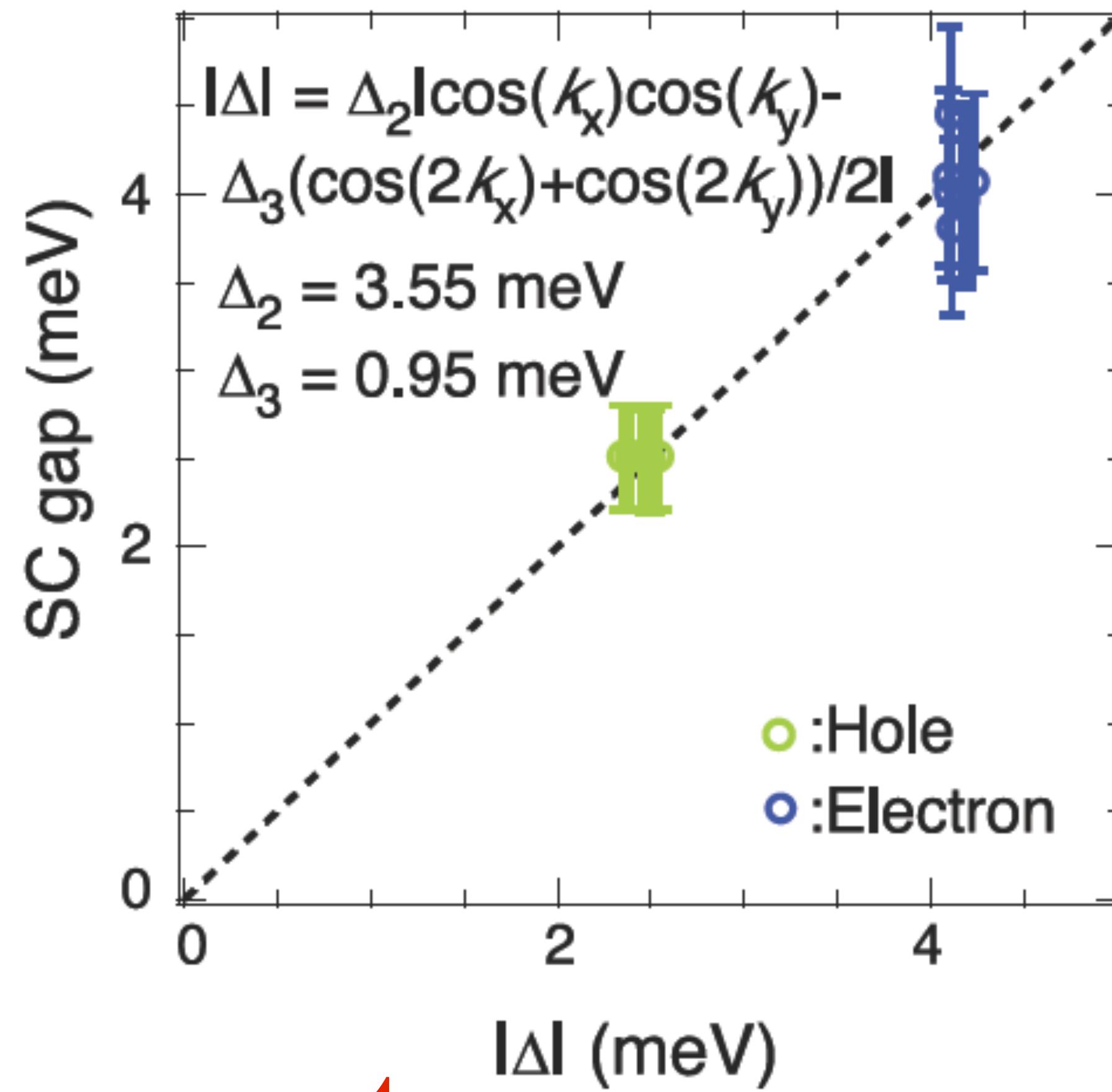
$$\Delta_2/\Delta_3 \approx J_2/J_3 = 22/7$$



for $K_{0.8}Fe_{1.6}Se_2$, $J_3 \sim 9$ meV

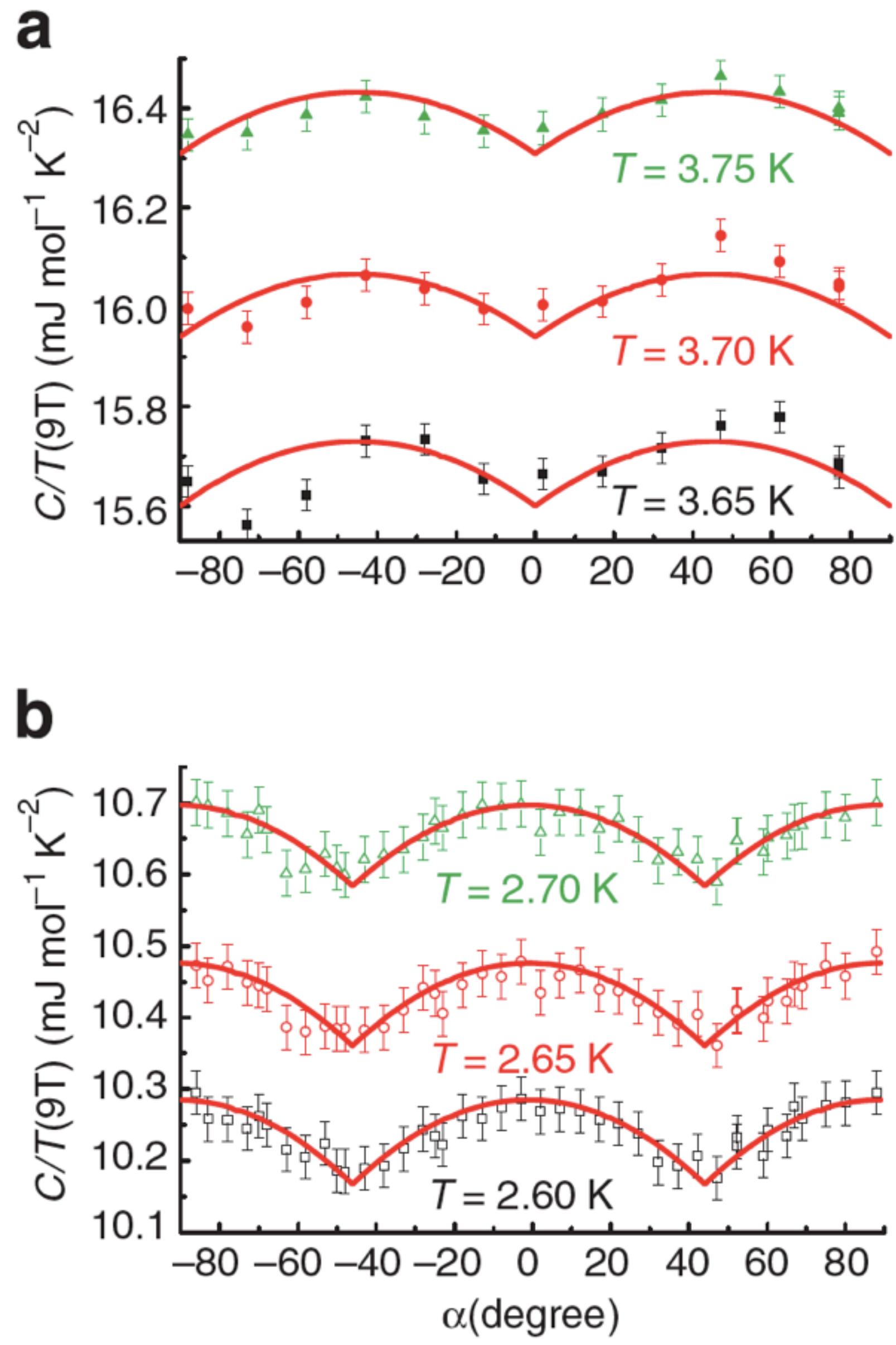
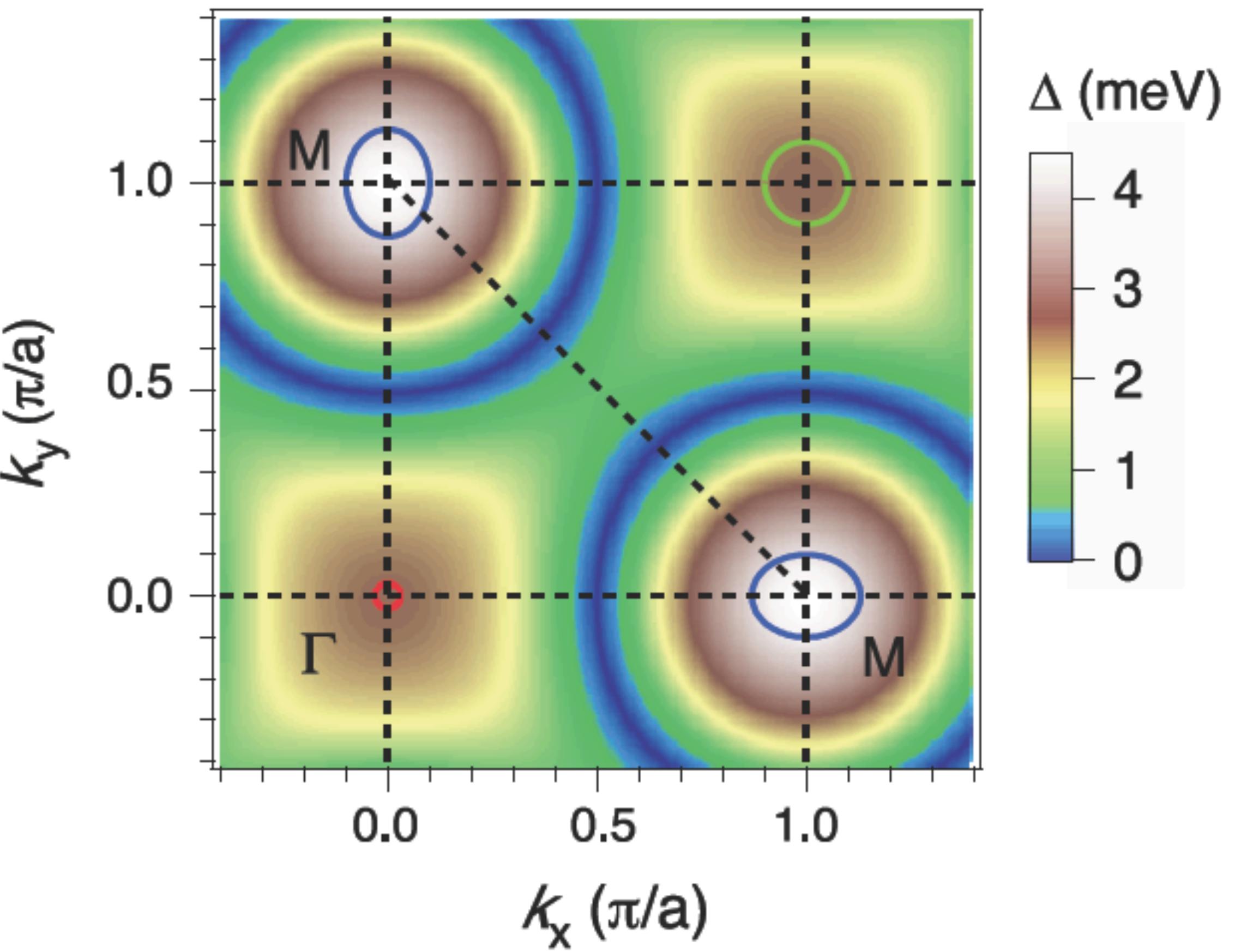
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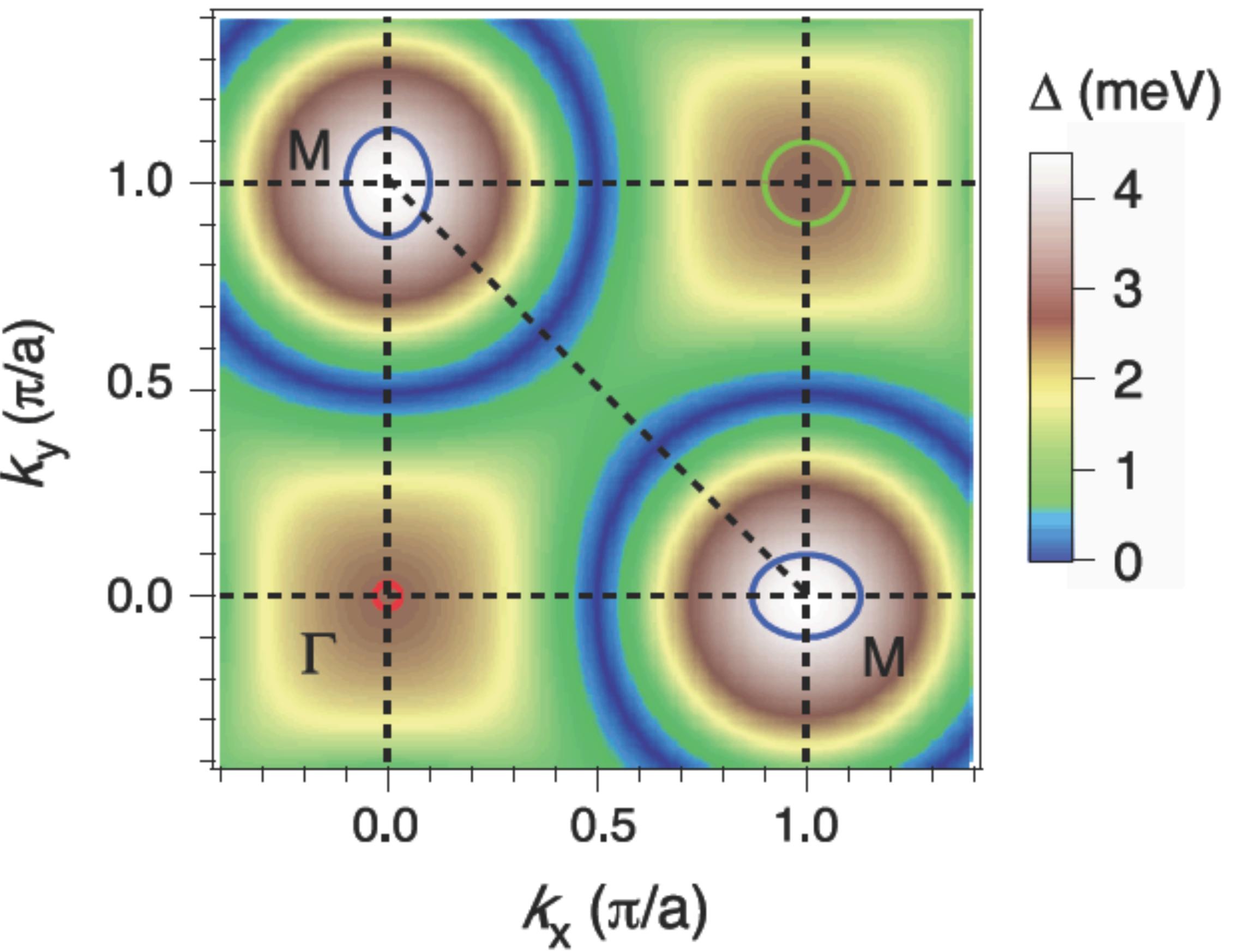


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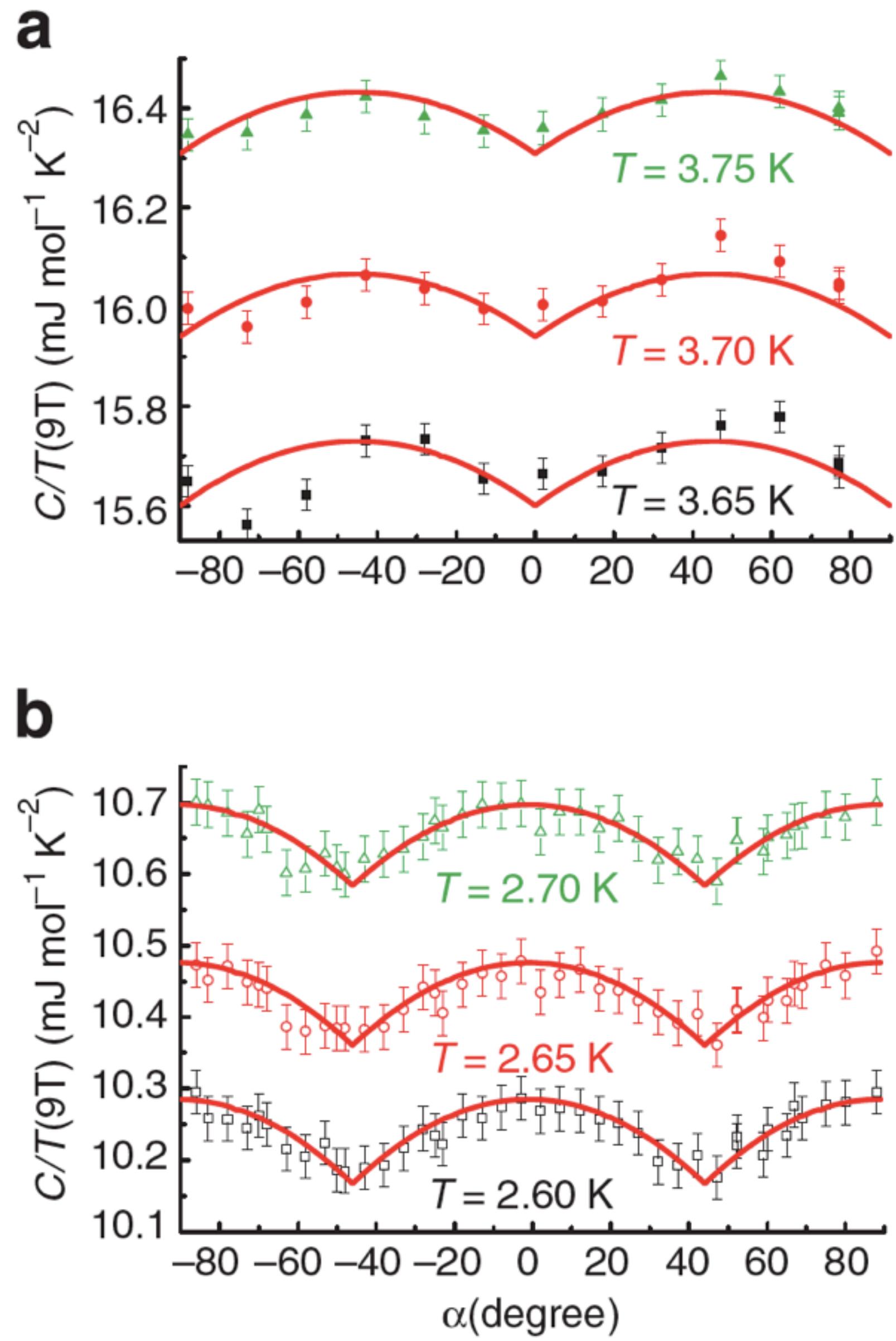
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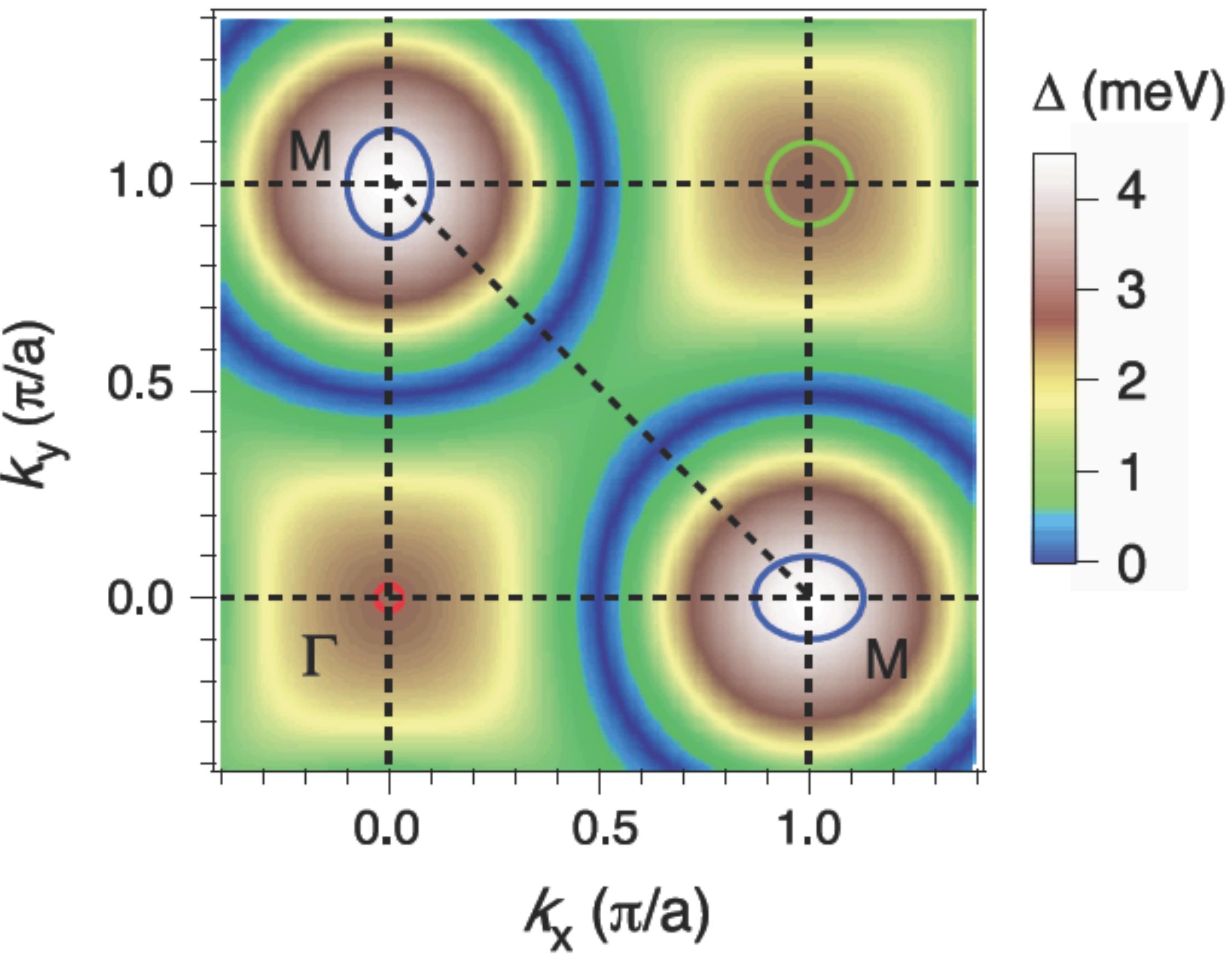
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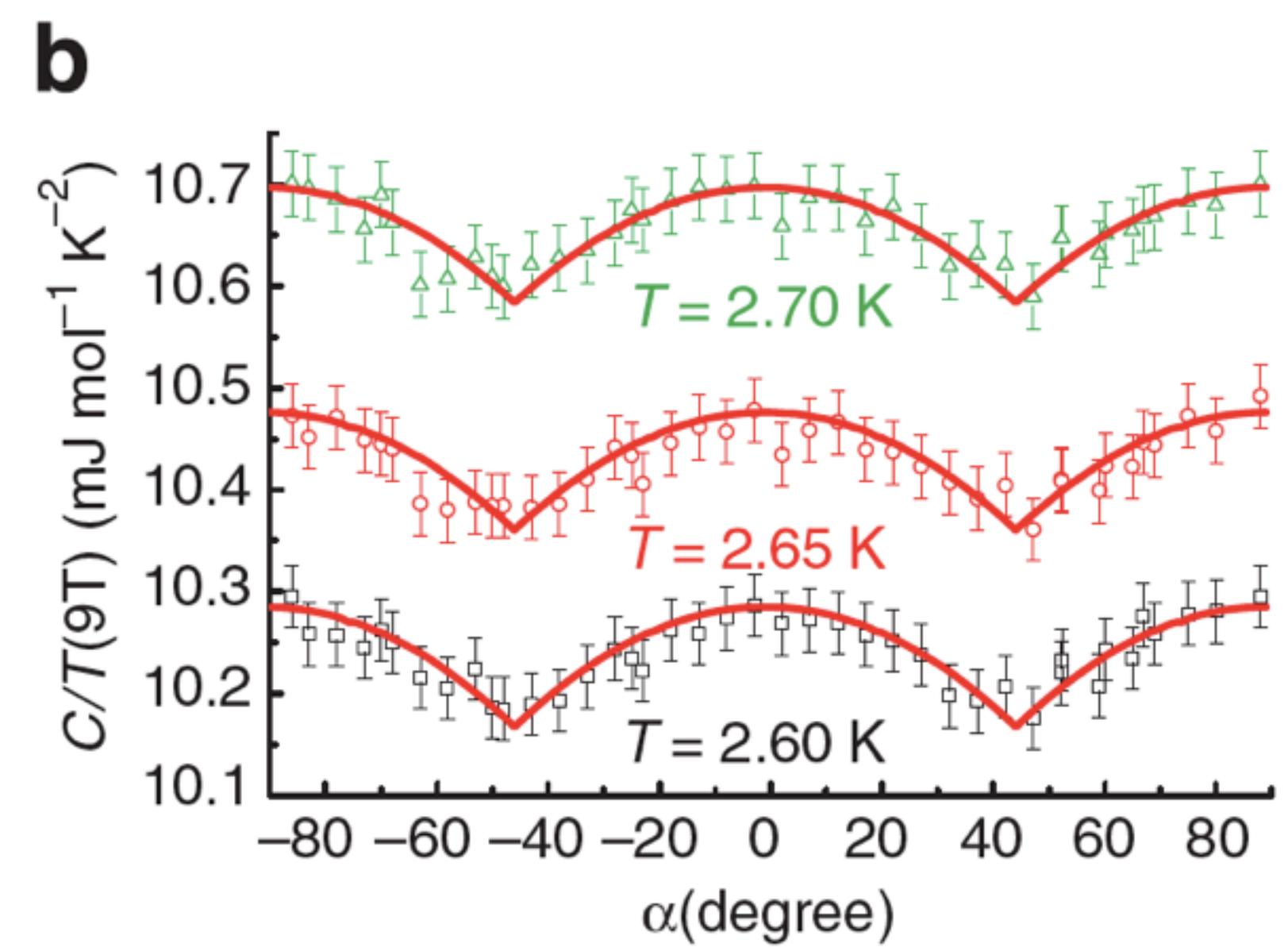
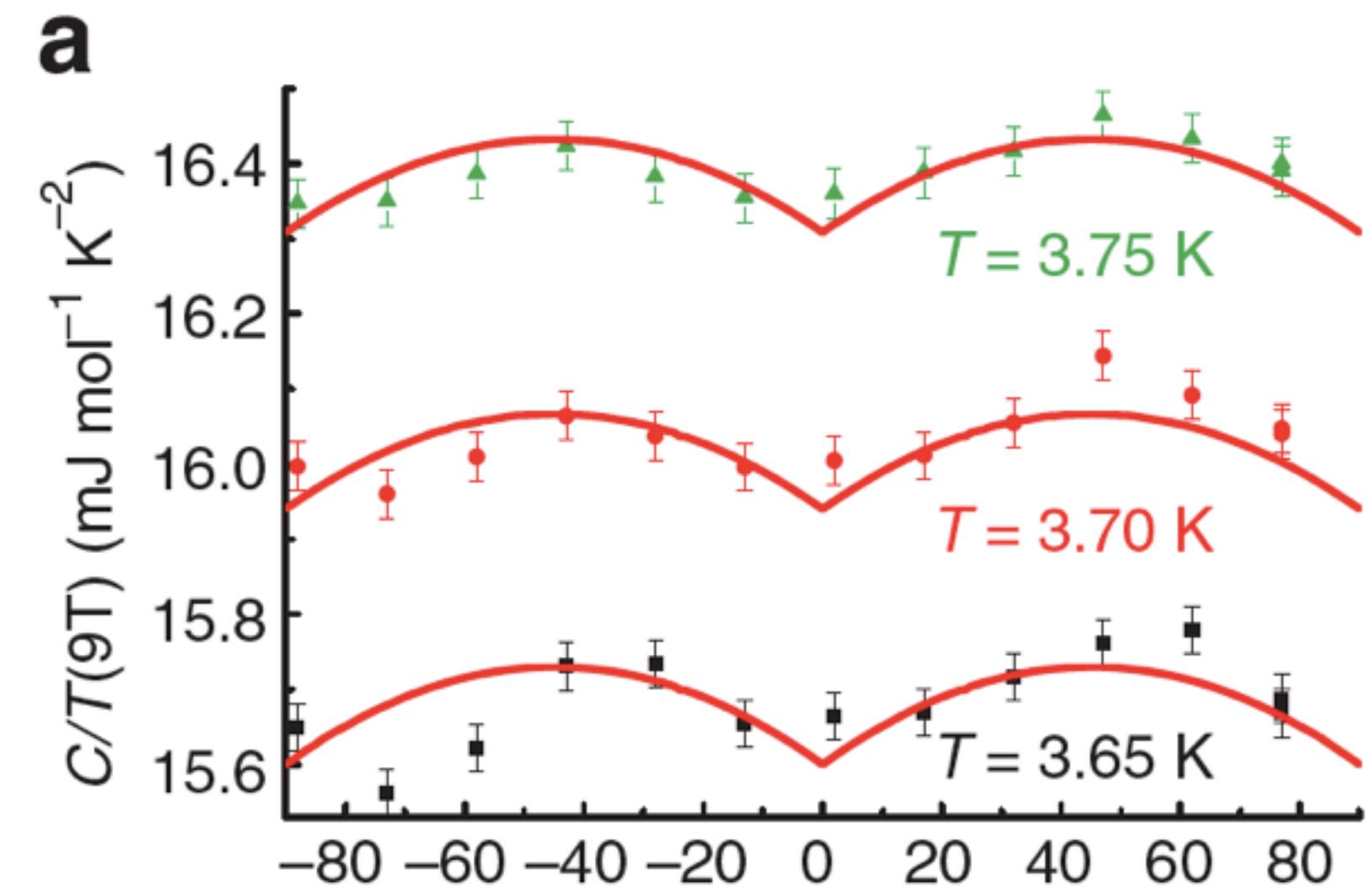


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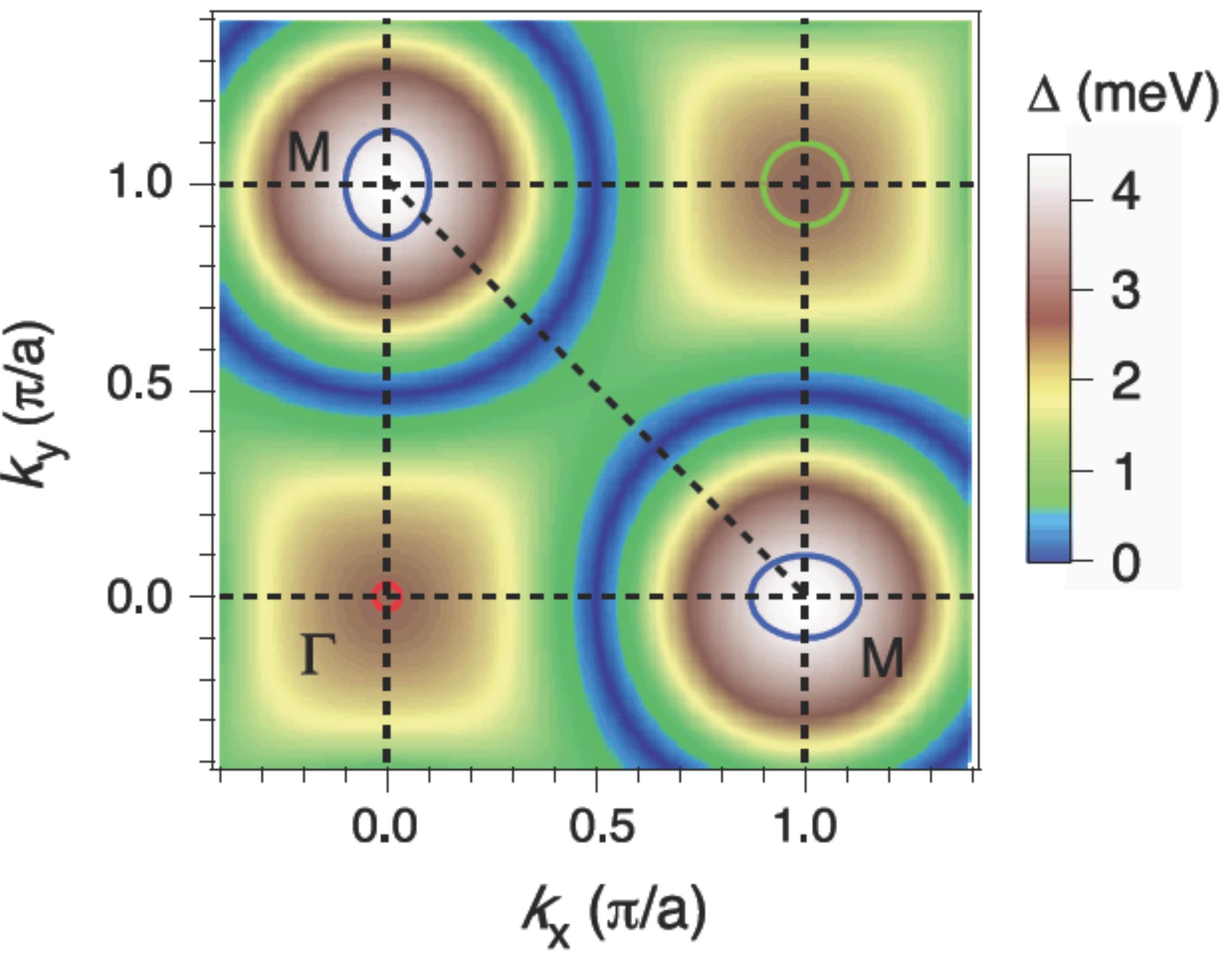
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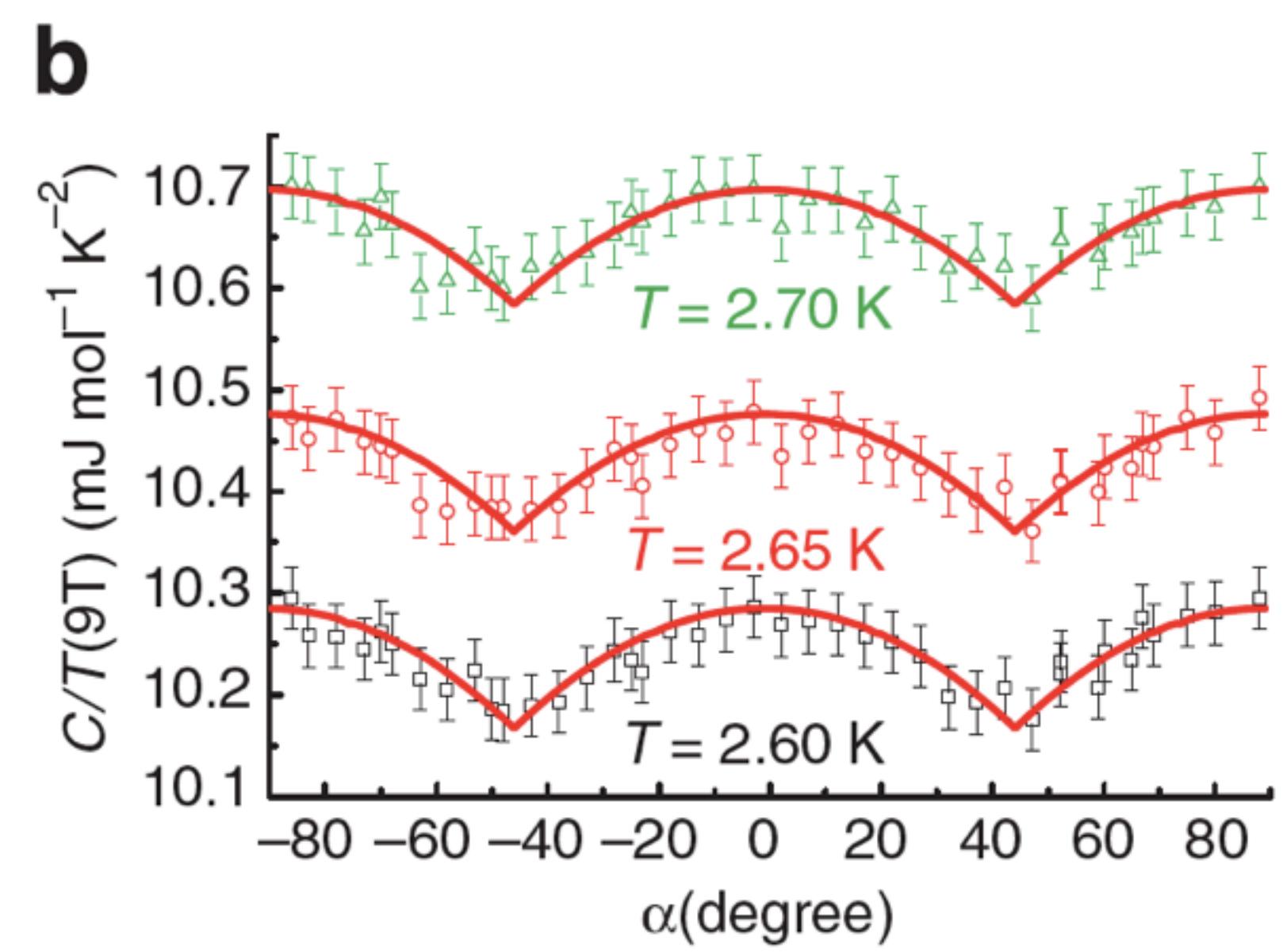
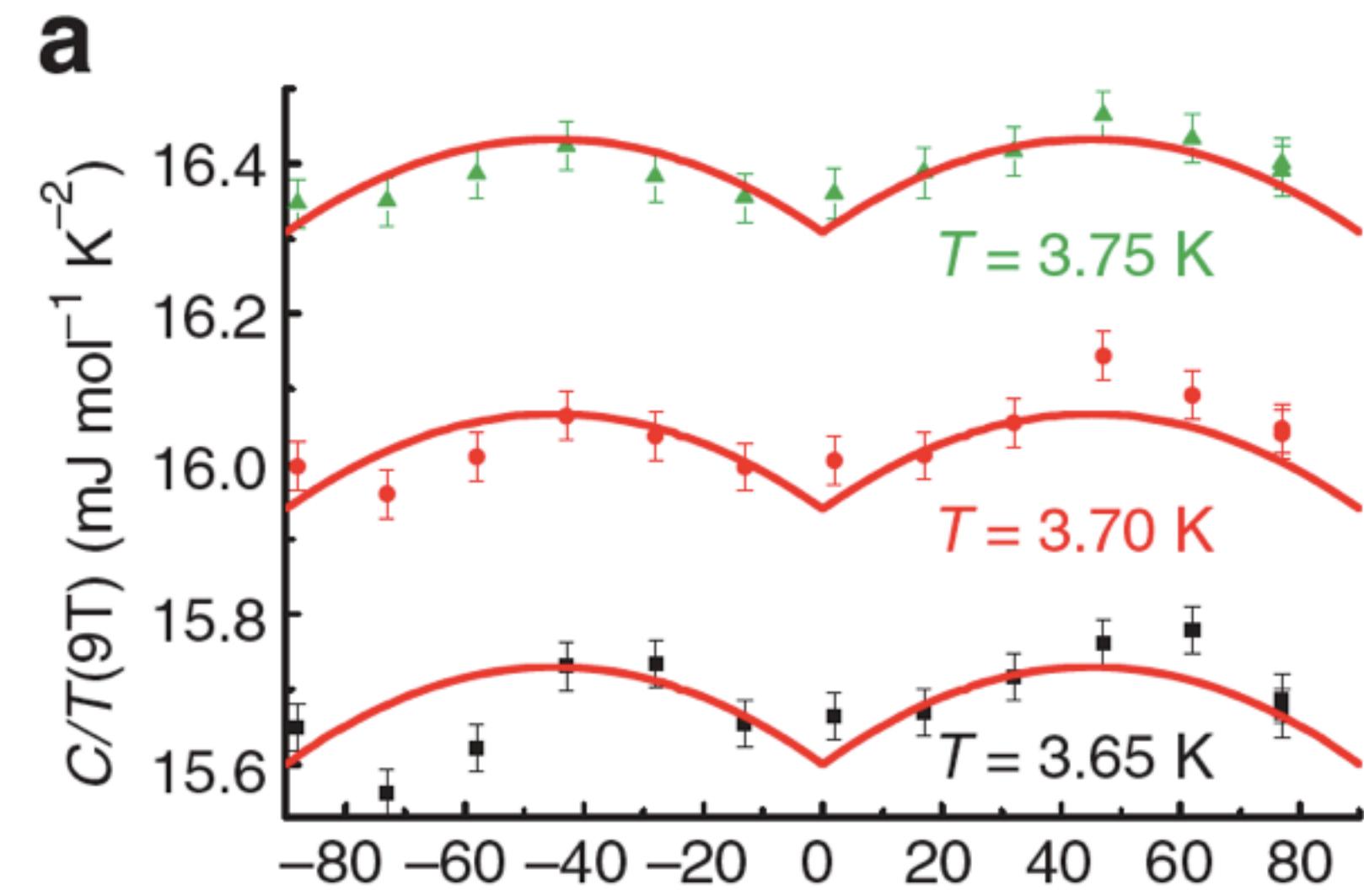
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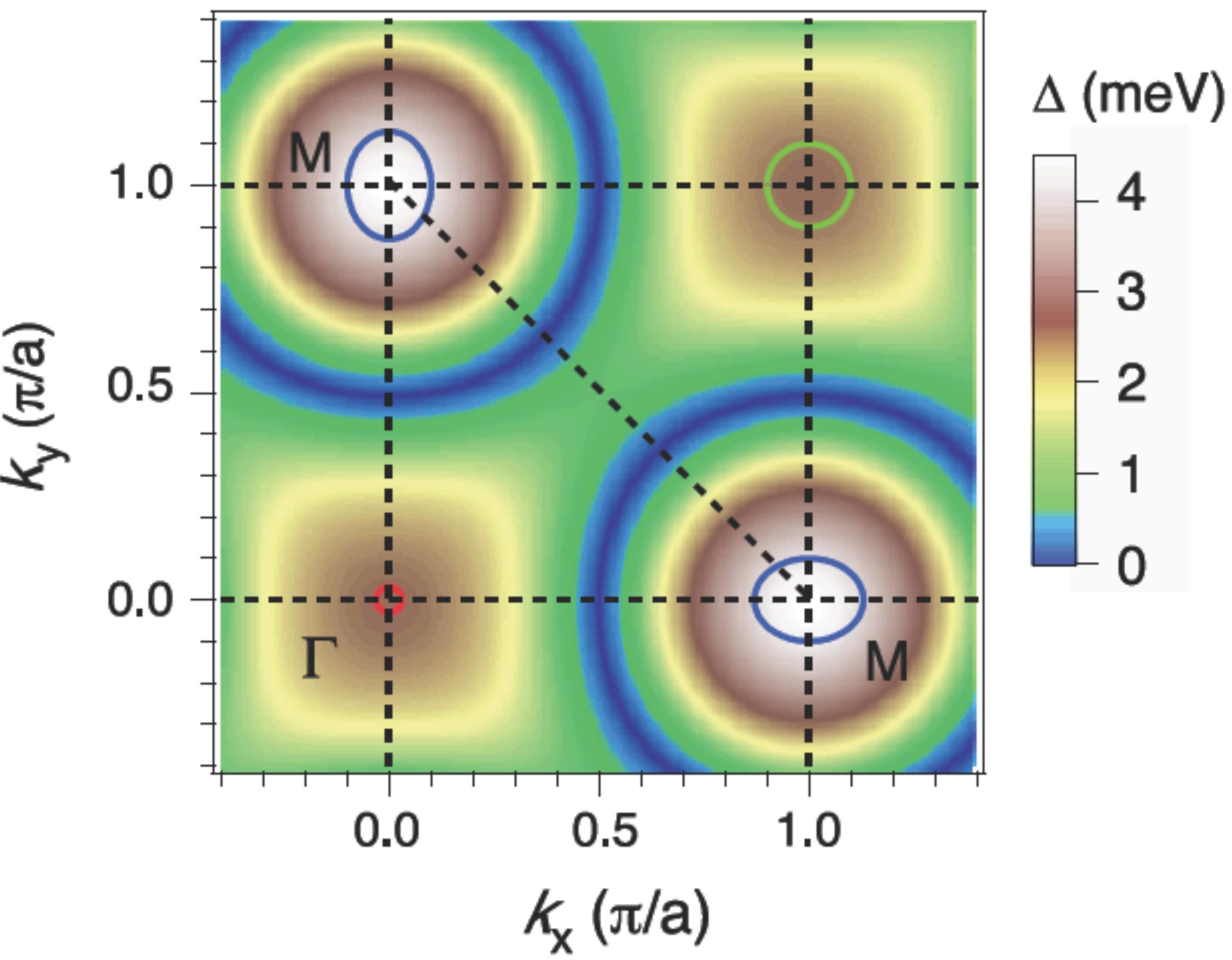
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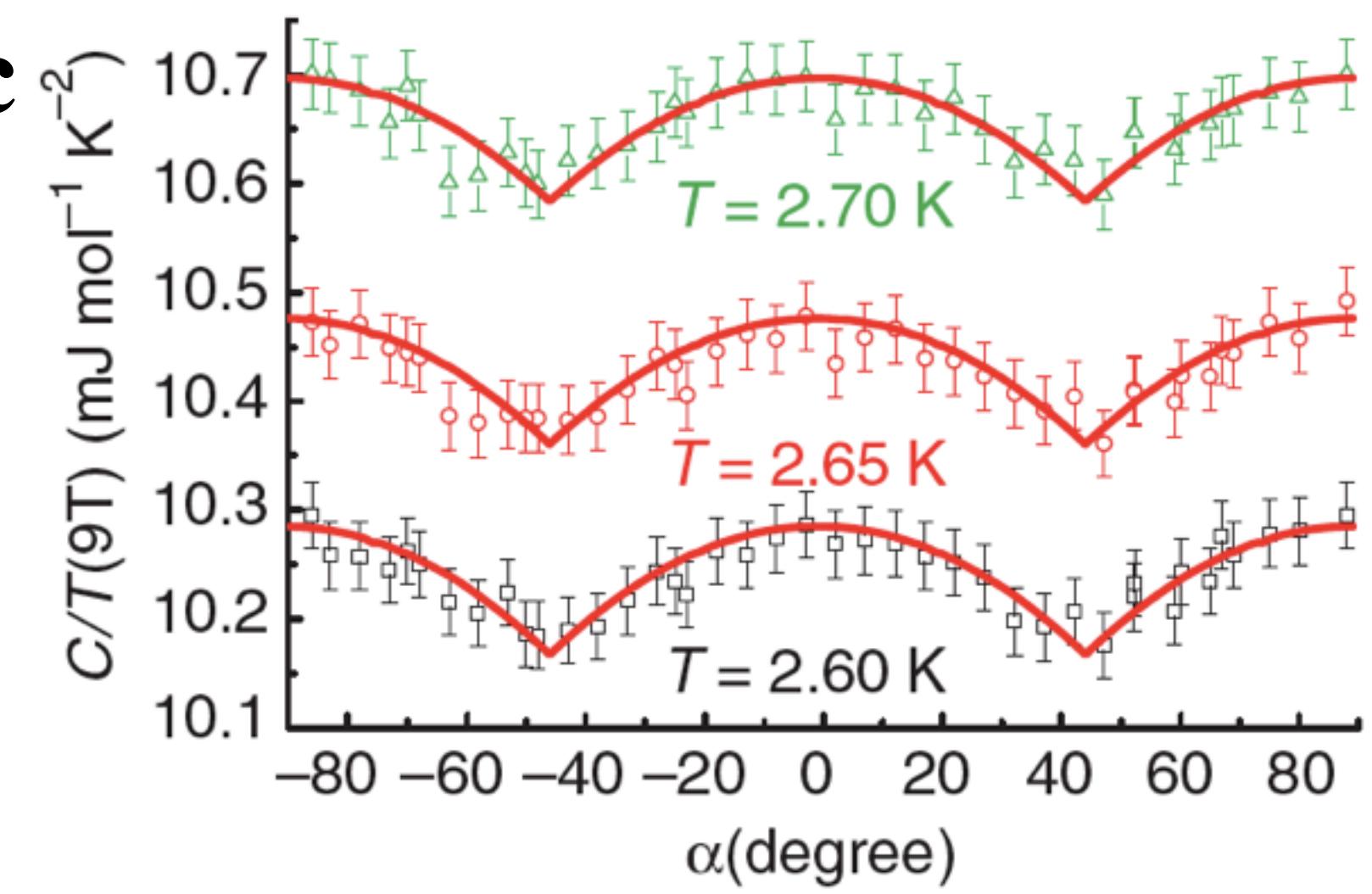
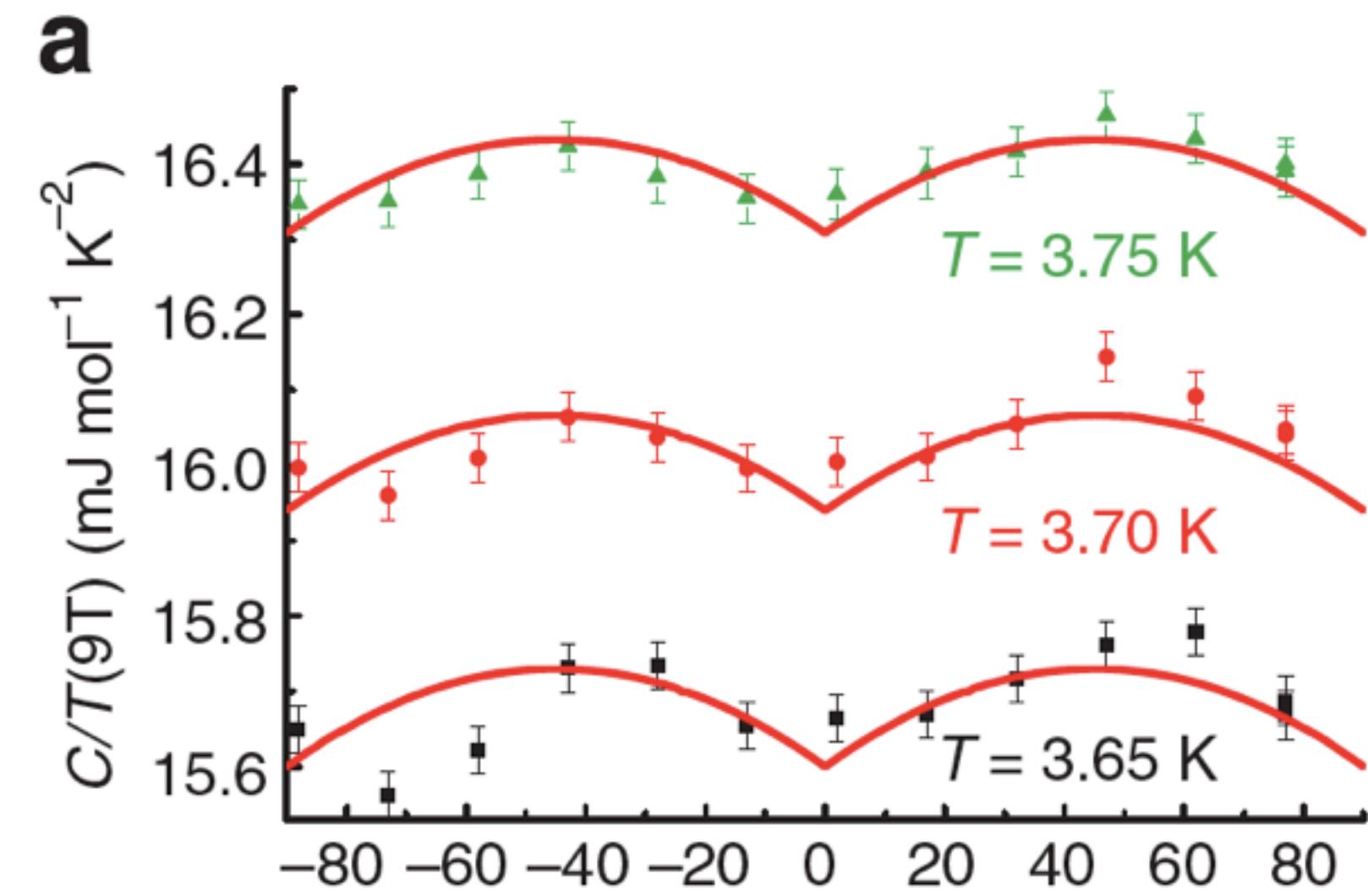


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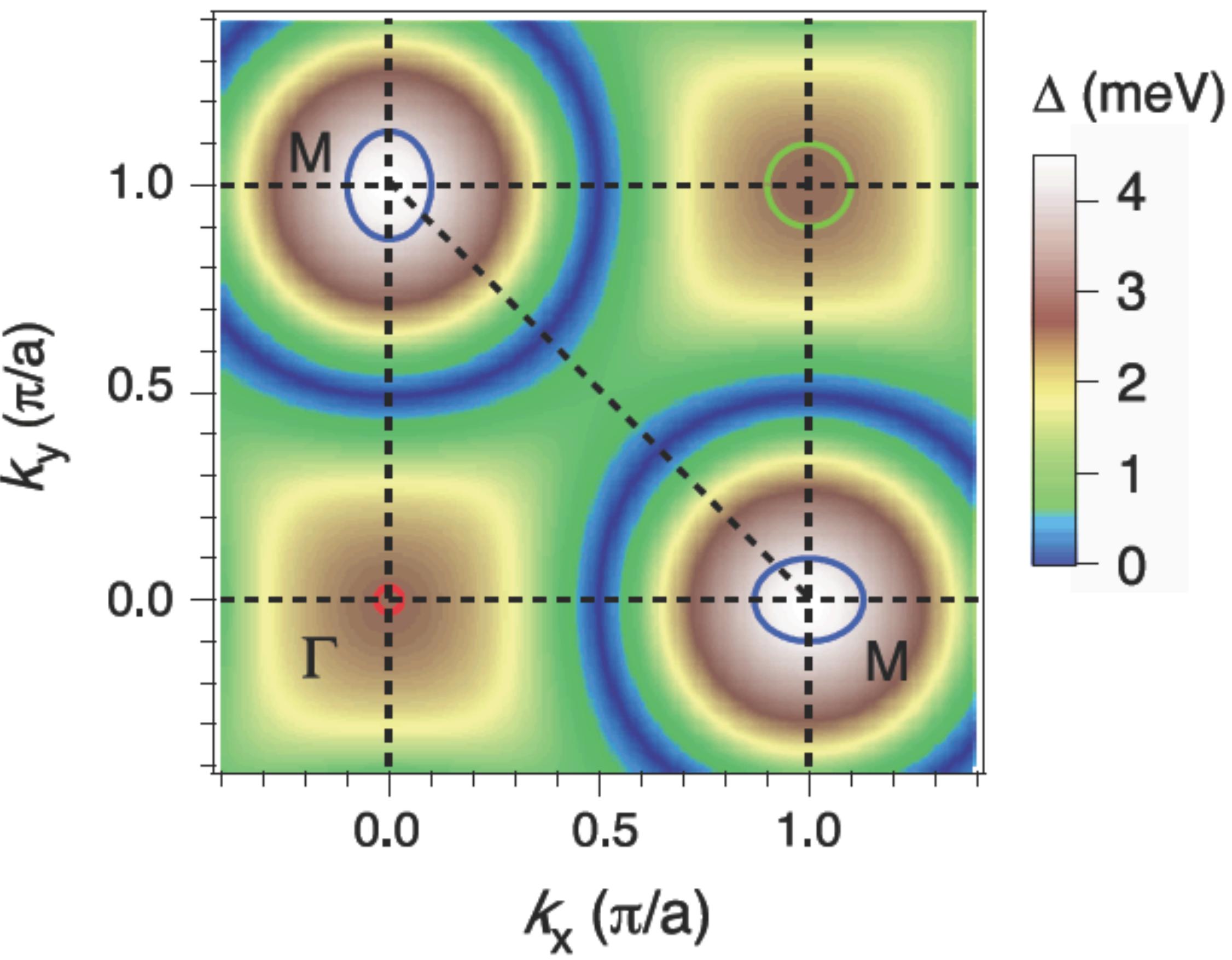
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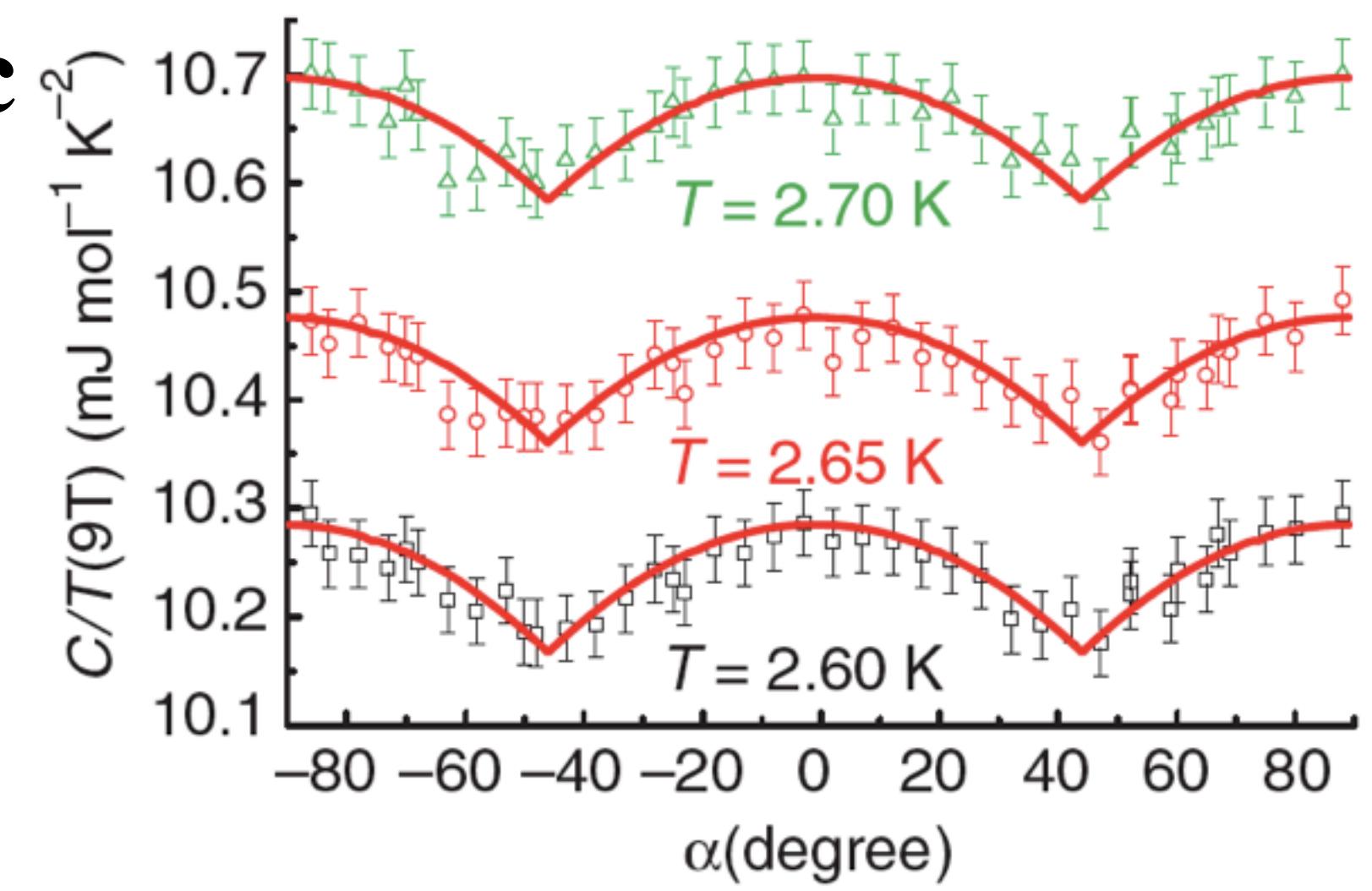
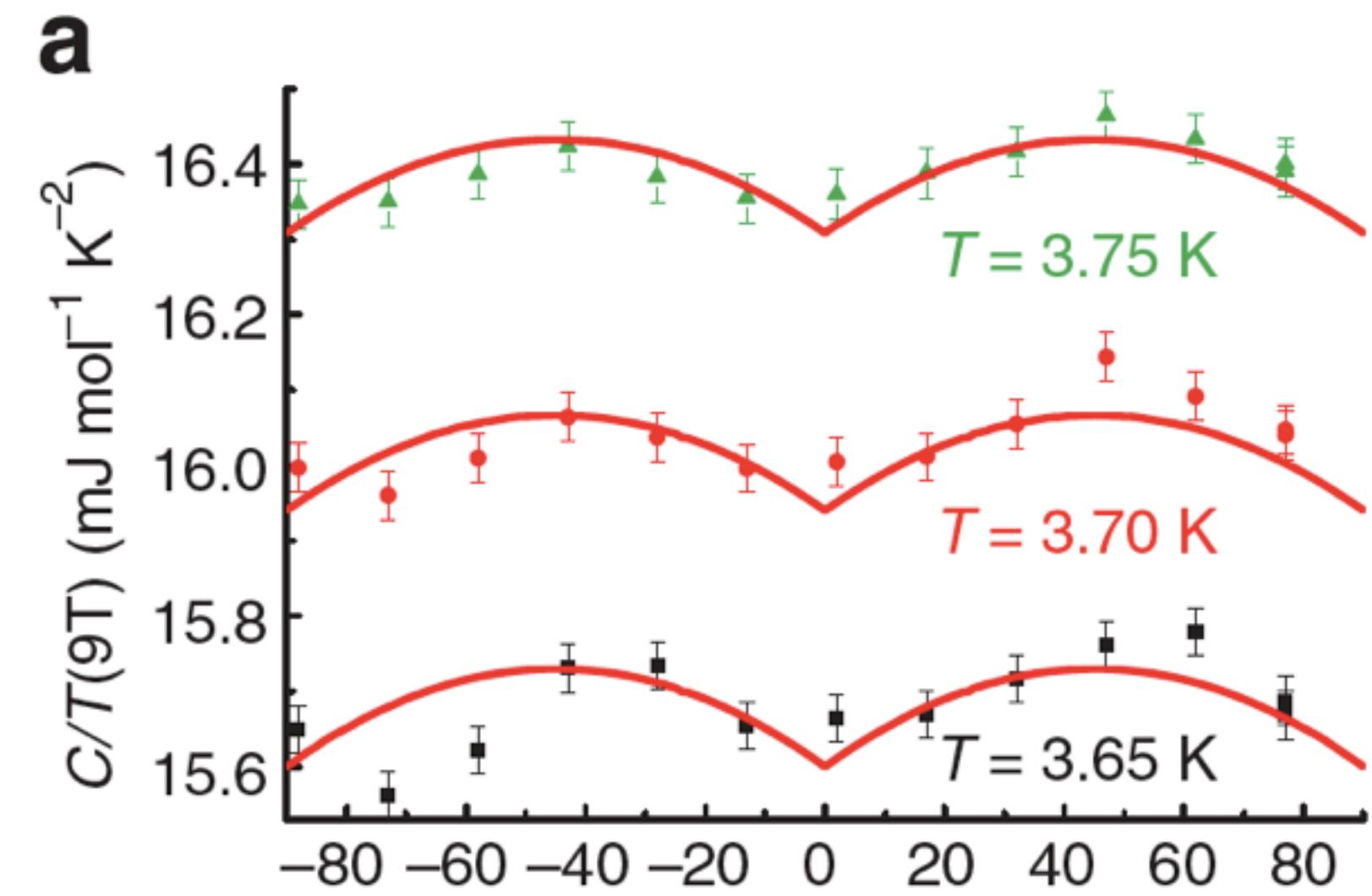
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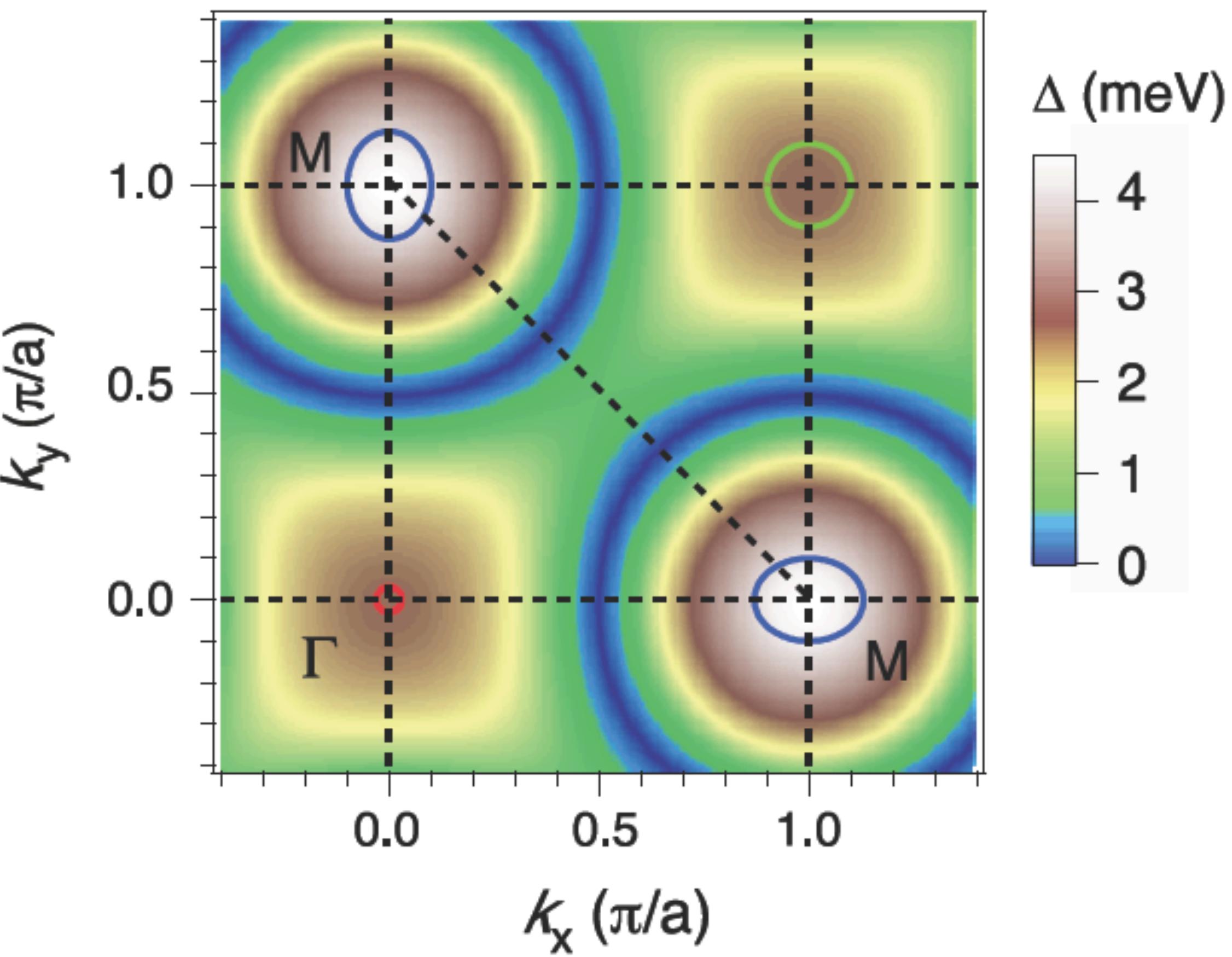
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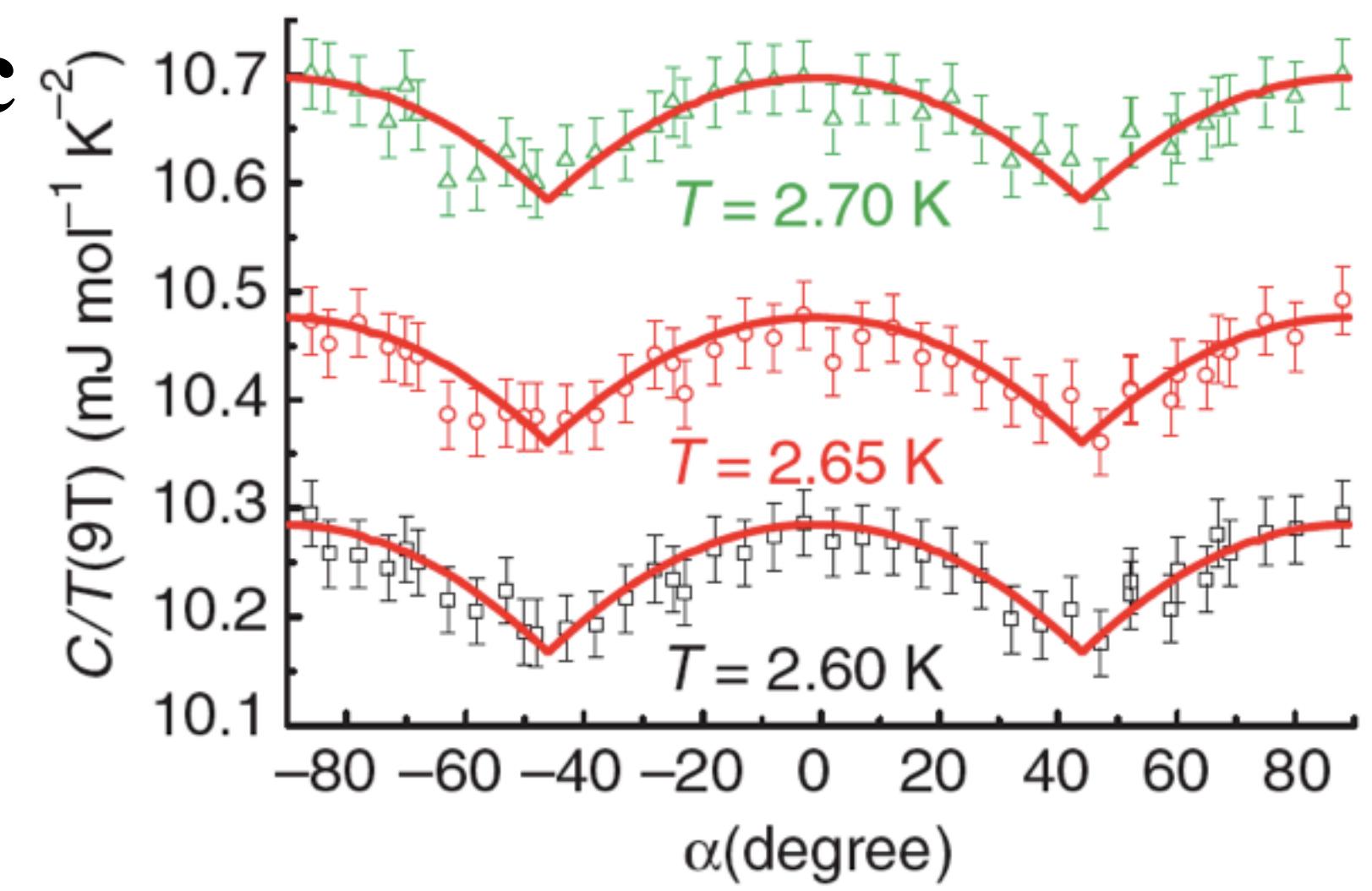
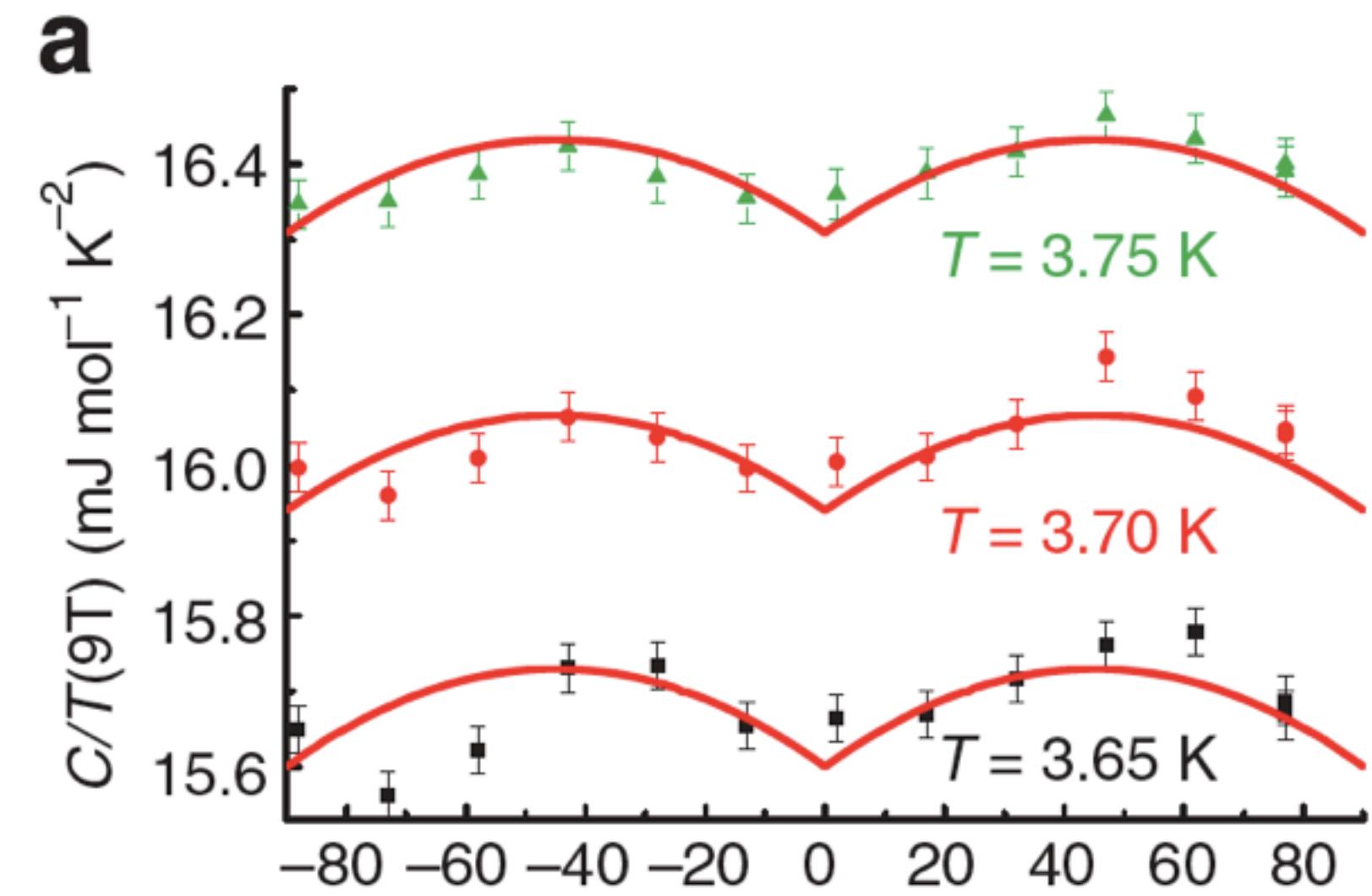
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possible



Summary

1. Three holelike bands are distinguished around Γ point, in which two cross at E_F ;
2. Isotropic superconducting gaps are observed on every FS sheets without node;
3. For the first time, the superconducting gap on the electronlike FS is larger than the one on the holelike FSs;
4. Orbital characters for each bands have been carried out through polarization dependent ARPES measurements;
5. J_1 - J_2 model derived s± superconducting gap function agrees well with all observed superconducting gaps on different FS sheets;
5. Enhanced pairing on electronlike FS pocket and reduced pairing on holelike ones in the ferrochalcogenides supports the strong coupling local pairing for iron-based superconductors.